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Date of Sailing. 1905.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with.	Tons
Saturday. 2 P.M.				
23rd Dec.	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
30th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	MACEDONIA	10512
1906				
6th Jan.	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
13th Jan	ORIENTAL	5284	VICTORIA	6522
20th ,,	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
27th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
3rd Feb.	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
17th ,,	CHINA	7912	.....	.....
24th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	BRITANNIA	6525
3rd Mar.	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	10000
17th ,,	MACEDONIA	10512	.....	.....
24th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	MONGOLIA	10000
31st ,,	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
7th Apl.	ORIENTAL	5284	MOOLTAN	10000
14th ,,	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
21st ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	MARMORA	10509
28th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
5th May	ORIENTAL	5284	VICTORIA	6522
12th ,,	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
19th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
26th ,,	MACEDONIA	10512	.....	.....

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YARRA	4,248	Sellier	28th Dec. 1905.
NERA	5,876	Schmitts	25th Jan. 1906
SYDNEY	4,455	Combe	22nd Feb ,,
AUSTRALIEN	5,633	Verron	22nd Mar ,,
VILLE de la CIOTAT	5,639	Etienne	19th Apr. ,,

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* BRITANNIA	G. R. Garrick	3360	31st Jan. 1906.
CIRCASSIA	Alex. Hay	6716	8th Feb.
OLYMPIA	C. F. Osborne R.N.R.	5124	27th ,,
SCINDIA	Shufo Abreu	9105	13th March
MASSILIA	J. Thomson	9041	24th ,,
NUBIA	Hay, Tait	3355	11th April
CIRCASSIA	Alex. Hay	6716	8th May
BRITANNIA	R. J. Garrick	3360	23rd ,,
OLYMPIA	C. F. Osborne R.N.R.	5124	8th June

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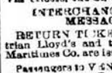

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43	40 13	73 4	56 1	48 2	70 6	55 4	47 4	43
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By Order of the Board,
J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer,
Bombay, 21st December, 1905.

BOMBAY 3RD EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, 30TH DECEMBER, 1905.

OWNERS are REMINDED that ENTRY CLOSES at 6 P. M., on TUESDAY, 26th instant.

By Order,
CECIL GRAY,
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Byculla, 21st December, 1905.

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Copies of the rules, giving other particulars, can be obtained from the College Clerk.

H. P. DIMMOCK, M. D.,
Lieut.-Colonel, I. M. S.,
Principal, Grant Medical College.
Grant Medical College,
Bombay 22nd December, 1905.

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NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are advised that, in consequence of the ADOPTION of STANDARD TIME in Bombay, the Timings of the Local and Suburban Trains between COLABA and VIRAR will be SLIGHTLY REVISED from MONDAY, the 1st January, 1906, to meet the change in office hours.

Detailed Timings may be ascertained from the Sheet Time Tables exhibited at Stations.

On and from the same date, CHARNI ROAD STATION situated between Andheri and Santa Cruz will be OPENED for Coaching Traffic (except Horses, Carriages and Specie) in booking locally to and from Stations on the Broad-gauge Section.

FREDERICK W. HANSON,
Agl General Traffic Manager,
Bombay, 21st December, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given that MUNCHERSHAW CURSETJI COMMISSARIAT-WALLA, of Bombay, Parsi, has contracted TO SELL the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim in or to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise is hereby requir.d to make the same know in writing to us at our Office No. 12, Meadows Street, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claim and the same will be considered as waived.

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PESTANJEE, RUSTIM & KOLA,
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NOTICE.

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A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 1st November, 1905.

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J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.
22nd December, 1905.

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NOTICE is hereby given that PREMC AND DHARAMCHAND and DAYABHAI PREMCHAND, have contracted TO SELL the undermentioned property to our client, NAGINCHAND FULCHAND Any person or persons having any claim to the same by way of inheritance, gift, mortgage, lease, lien or otherwise should make the same known to the Undersigned in writing at their Office at No. 40, Meadows Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claim and the same will be considered as having been waived.

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INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT, BOMBAY.

No. 523 of 1905.

RE HAJI NOORMAHOMED HASSAM and HAJI ABDUL REHMAN HASSAM, until lately carrying on business at Jackeria Masjid in the name of HAJI ABD. REHMAN NOOR MAHOMED, adjudged Insolvents,

WHEREAS the abovenamed HAJI NOORMAHOMED HASSUM and HAJI ABDUL REHMAN HASSUM, have been this day adjudged to have committed an act of Insolvency under Sec. 9 of the Act XI & XII Vic., Chap. 21. It is ordered that all the real and personal Estate and Effects of the said Insolvents be vested in the Official Assignee of this Honourable Court, and that the said Insolvents do within thirty days from the date hereof file a Schedule in this Honourable Court in the form in Schedule C, to the said Act annexed, containing the statement of their debts, Estate and Effects.—Dated this 22nd day of December, 1905, 1905.

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BULLION—

2½ per cent. Consols	89 1-4	= — 1-16
3 do. do. Rentes ...	98 -4 ex	= unchanged
3½ do. Indian Sterling Loan	104 3-4	= + 1-4
3 ½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	65 3-4	= unchanged
SILVER—		
Spot in London	30 1-4	= — 1-16
2 months hence	29 7-16	= — 1-16
Spot in New York	65 1-2	= — 1-4
EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25 8 1-2	= unchanged
Berlin	20 3½	= + 3-4
New York Demand	4 85 1-4	= — 1-8
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	4	per cent = unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills ...	3 ¾	per cent = do
6 ,, ,, ,, ...	3 3-4	per cent = do
3 ,, ,, Fine Trade Bills	4 3-8	per cent = do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	4 3-8	per cent = do
INTEREST—		
Day to day loans	3 1-4	per cent = 1-4
Day market loans	3 5-8	per cent = 1-8

Amount with drawn from the Bank of England about £50,000 for S America.
Extra Council Bills allotments Bills on Calcutta Rs. 500,000 at 1s 4 3-32d.
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8
ARRIVALS—
Steamers—Olympia, Imperator, Gordon Castle, Colento Belchenfels, Ocanien.

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian quiet, Manchester steady. Total Sales 7,000. Spot 6 3-4—6. Egyptian 6. G. F. Brown 8 1-4. Sold on speculation and for Export 500. Imports 2,000. Futures closed steady.

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6-15	6-17	6-21
—11	—11	—11
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
6-25	6-28	6-31
—11	—10	—10
June-July	July-Aug	Aug-Sep
6-32	6-31	6-21
—10	—10	—10

Receipts at U S Ports 24,000
Do last Year 46,000
Exports to Great Britain 15,000
Do do Continent 22 000

IN NEW YORK—
Spot ... ... 12-10—30
Futures, month of Dec ... ... } 11-47—14 } a
Do do. March ... ... } 11-81—15
a Declined owing to weak cables and to bear pressure and bulls unloading.
IN NEW ORLEANS—
Spot 12
Futures, month of March ... ... } mutilated
Do. June ... ... } barely steady.
Tone at close ... ...

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Thursday 21st Dec. 1905 :—

Cotton	19,923 bales.
Wheat	12,091 cwts.
Linseed	1,224 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	1,076 do
Gingellyseed	23 062 do
Poppyseed	559 do
Groundnut	361 do
Castorseed	3,664 do
Rice	3 899 do
Myrabollams	9,042 do
Cottonseed	24,733 do
Mowraseed	72 do
Gram	88 do
Joowar	196 do
Maize	47 do

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Gold Bullion, Rs. 7,5,0 0
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BOMBAY, FRIDAY, Dec. 22.

THERE was a moderate rainfall in the Punjab, during the past week, which has been of great benefit to the growing crops. There is also a promise of the rain, extending to the United Provinces where it is so urgently needed. This change in the weather after the prolonged drought has caused an easier feeling in some of the produce markets, and prospects are slightly improved. Rain is still wanted for the Rabi crops, but the meteorological reports are more favourable than they were for the past three months.

Money continues in strong demand in Bombay, and throughout the week sterling exchange has been firm. Rupee paper declined early in the week, but closes somewhat steadier.

COTTON.

The market has remained firm with slight fluctuations throughout the week. A Census Bureau report of Cotton ginned up to the 13th inst., was issued at Washington on the 20th inst., giving 9,988,000 Commercial Bales, showing an increase of 887,000 bales since the 1st December. Prices continue fairly on a level with the highest quotations lately given and no signs are yet apparent of any falling off in the present scale of values.

The following are the daily closing quotations of Sport Midding Americans in Liverpool and New York, since our last mail report.

	Liverpool.	New York.
Dec.	15th...6·20	12·20
,,	16th...6·35	12·20
,,	18th...6·40	12·15
,,	19th...6·40	12·30
,,	20th...6·40	12·30
,,	21st ...6·34	12·10

The following are the daily closing quotations for futures, Liverpool, Dec.-Jan., and New York, December :

	Liverpool.	New York.
Dec.	15th...6·23	11·58
,,	16th...6·22	11·63
,,	18 h...6·25	11·40
,,	19th...6·29	11·65
,,	20th...6·26	11·01
,,	21st...6·15	11·47

Our local market has also been firm with a moderate demand from shippers, chiefly on Japan account There is a good enquiry for high classed stapled descriptions and fancy rates have been paid for same spot lots. Up-country markets are firm, as supplies meet with a ready sale. Reports continue satisfactory, and the favourable news now falling nightly are benefiting the crops in Guzerat and Kathiawar. The weeks arrivals in Bombay amount to 114,397, bales, but notwithstanding the tightness in the money market and accumulating stocks, prices show no tendency at present to give way. The enquiry coming from Europe is only moderate, as Spinners there are apparently unwilling to go on buying at current rates, but with the end of the month shipments to be completed and fairly large shipments in progress for Japan, combined with the local demand, there is a good outlet for holders of cotton, and a moderate turnover is reported daily at Colaba.

COTTON STATISTICS. Bales.

Receipts for the week	114,397
Receipts from 1st Oct to 21st December.	495,820
Shipments for the week to Europe	17,149
Do China Japan, and Ceylon	
Ports	5,550
Total	22,099
Total Shipments from 1st Oct. to 21st Dec.	
Europe	139,230
Japan	19,898
China	2,000
Coast Ports	4,930
Total	165,788
Afloat in harbour for Europe ...	15,520
China, Japan, and Coast Ports ...	45,097

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	quiet.	
Estimated sales	7,000 Bales	
Imports	73,000	,,
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb	Feb-Mar.
6·14	6·16	6·20
—1	—1	—1
Mar-April	April-May	May-June.
6·24	6·27	6·30
—1	—1	—1
June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.
6·31	6·31	6·23
—1	—1	—1

COTTON.—The market closes quiet with but little enquiry both for ready and forward. Sutta closing quotations are as follows :—
Bengals Fully Good January ... Rs. 197
Broach M.-G. Good March ... ,, 257

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association Limited :—

	Fine. F.-G. Good.	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	207 199 ...	25th Dec
Bengals (M.-G. Ry. terms ...	213 203 ...	25th Dec
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.) ...	215 205 ...	25th Dec
Oomrawutte (descriptions) M.-G.	224 218 ...	25th Jan
Khandeish, (M.-G.)	214 ...	25th Jan
Khamgaum, fair staple (M.-G.)		
Karanja do. (M.-G.)	225 219 ...	25th Jan
Akola do. (M. G.)		
Oomra, good staple (M.-G.)	237 231 ...	,, ,,
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	235 229 ...	,, ,,
Nagpur Kampti (M.-G.) ...	242 236	25th Jan.
Broach (M.-G.)	273...257	1-2 25th Mar.

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED.—In the beginning of the week this market was very excited, and as high as Rs. 7-7 per cwt. was paid for ready, delivery, built has since ceased off, owing to a reaction in the home markets and to beneficial rains in the Punjab, Malwa, Berar and Khandeish still require rain for the new crop. The market closes steady at

Ready	Rs. 7-4
December	Rs. 7-7
April-May	Rs. 7-9-6

RAPESEED.—There was a dull in the market for new crops, owing to rain in some districts, but rates have since recovered as fine weather is prevailing in Delhi. In old crop, business is very difficult on account of reduced stocks. We quote

Ready Brown Cawnpore	Rs. 7
Ready Yellow Guzerat & Cawnpore	,, 7-8
April-May Brown Delhi	,, 6-14
April-May Brown Cawnpore	,, 6-12

GINGELLYSEED.—Supplies are small and prices have a tendency upgards, Crop estimates are being reduced, We quote

Bold White 85 per cent.	Rs. 43
Howree	Rs. 44

CASTORSEED.—Market is firm with very good offtake. Stocks are limited. We quote Rs. 32 per candy ready.

COTTONSEED.—There is no change in this market, which closes steady at Rs. 17-8 per candy, with a fair amount of business passing.

PETTSEED.—There is a very good demand for ready, and a good business was done at improved prices. We quote Rs. 8-8 ready.

MOWRASEED.—Market closes steady at Rs. 5-4.

WHEAT.—Market is easier owing to rain in the Punjab, but more rain is required there. The local mills have bought largely new crop Karachi, both White and Red for June to September delivery. We quote

Ready Karachi	Rs. 5-2-6
White Delhi May	,, 5-0-9
White Kurachi June-July	,, 4-10-0
Red Do. do.	,, 4-8-0

Weeks arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay.

Cotton	1,14,397 bales.
Wheat	7,8975 cwts.
Linseed	16,612 ,,
Rape, Rai and Mustard	4 851 ,,
Gingellyseed	1,09,471 ,,
Poppyseed	1,997 ,,
Groundnuts	1,072 ,,
Castorseed	27,272 ,,
Rice	1,01,888 ,,
Myrabollams	30 123 ,,
Cottonseed	1,71,030 ,,
Mowraseed	5,144 ,,
Gram	6,473 ,,
Joowar	5,0,7 ,,
Maize	532 ,,

LINSEED—Tone steady.

	Rs. a. p.
Ready	7 4 0

RAPESEED.—Tone steady.

Brown Cawnpore Ready	6 13 0
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	7 7 0

POPPYSEED—Tone steady.

Ready	8 8 0

CASTORSEED—Tone steady.

Ready	32 0 0

GINGELLYSEED—Tone firm good enquiry

Howree Khandesh	44 0 0
15 per cent Mixed	43 8 0

WHEAT—Tone quiet.

White Delhi ready	5 1 0

FREIGHT.

This market remains firm with an upward tendency. Bookings are reported for Hamburg. Seeds and Cotton, December shipment at 16s. to 16d, 6d. and for Antwerp, Seeds, December at 15s to 15s. 6d. January to May a large line was booked at 14s. 3d. to 14s. 6d. open ports, and sellers are now quoting 14s. 9d. to 15d.

Fixtures reported include the s. s. St. Bride at 15s. 6d. Dec. Jan. 1 p.p. and the s. s. Sahara January at 14s. 6d. 1 p.p.

MONEY.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.	
Bank of Bombay do. 14th	Dec. 7	do.	
Bank of Bengal do. 14th	,, 7	do.	
Bank of Madras do. 19th	,, 5	do.	

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 16th December as compared with that of the 9th December :—

LIABILITIES.

Public Deposits ... ... Rs.	5,00,439	Increase
Other Deposits ... ,, ... ,,	21,38,432	Increase
Sundries ... ,, ... ,,	55,127	Increase
ASSETS.		
Government Securities ... ... Rs.	12,011	Decrease
Other Authorized Securities ... ,,	43,332	Decrease
Credits on Securities ... ... ,,	2,87,140	Increase
Loans, do. ... ... ,,	5,09,993	Decrease
Bills discounted & purchased ... ,,	3 47,245	Increase
Balance with other Banks ... ,,	1,14,993	Increase
Sundries ... ... ,,	3,879	Increase
Cash ... ... ,,	30,08,614	Increase

These figures show a decline in the Trade demand of 25·70 lakhs.

The Bank of Bengal weekly cash balance was 22 lakhs lower and that of the Bank of Madras 9 1/2 lakhs decline. The official rate of the latter institution was this week raised two per cent. and is now 6 per cent. per annum. In Bombay and Calcutta the official rate is unchanged at 7 per cent. per annum. The local market is firm and money is in strong demand. Some 35 lakhs gold was received from Australia early in the week and sixty-two lakhs of telegraphic Councils on Thursday. The rate for short fixed deposits for two months is unchanged at six per cent. per annum.

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending on Tuesday evening was Rs. 92,70,000. At the weekly allotment on Wednesday One Crore was put up for tender and of this amount 46·90 lakhs was taken in bills at Is 4 1/16d and 53·10 lakhs in telegraphic transfers at Is 4 1/8d tenderers at these rates receiving 13 per cent. An extra allotment of 10 lakhs was made to Bombay of which 1 lakh was in Bills at Is 4 3/32d and 9 lakhs in telegraphic transfers at Is 4 5-32d. For next week One crore is again advertised for allotment. A further extra allotment of 5 lakhs Bills in Calcutta at Is 4 3/32d is announced this morning.

The mail of the 7th December brings £330,000 silver and £70,000 gold for Bombay, also the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	29,50,000
Bombay	,,	19,50,000
Madras	,,	12,00,000
Total ...	Rs.	61,00,000

The mail of the 14th December brings £230,000 silver, and £60,000 gold to Bombay, also the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	11,70,000
Bombay	,,	4,00,000
Madras	,,	3,10,000
Total ...	Rs.	19,40,000

The mail of the 21st December brings £120,000 silver and £40,000 gold to Bombay, and £20,000 gold for Calcutta; also the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	37,30,000
Bombay	,,	9,40,000
Madras	,,	5,20,000
Total ...	Rs.	52,90,000

EXCHANGE.

Sterling exchange was firm throughout the week. In Bank paper 1s. 4 1/8d. was the current quotation for demand and the same rate has generally been obtainable for telegraphic Transfers near delivery. The Banks buying rates were advanced to 1s. 4 3/8d. for three months sight D.-A. and 1s. 4 1/2d. for 6 months sight D.-A. for December, and about 1/32d. less per month up to March. A fair amount of business is reported. Far Eastern exchanges are steady.

EXCHANGE.—Tone quieter.

Bank T. T. ...	...	...	1s. 4 3-32d.
Bank Demand ...	...	...	1s. 4 1-32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight		D. A.	1s. 4 1l-32d.
Do. 6 do.	do.	...	1s. 4 15-32d.
French Francs 3 do.	do.	...	171
Marks 3 do.	do.	...	139 1-2
Hongkong 30 Days Sight		...	147
Shanghai 30	do.	...	207
Japan 30	do.	...	159 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER

Rupee paper has fluctuated between 93 1/16 and 97 3/4 for the settlement. We hear some dealers in options have been purchasing heavily for the January settlement, and a fair amount of business has been done during the week.

3 1-2 per cent. cash	97-10
3 1-2 per cent. 4th January	97-12
3 per cent.	87-0

		Repayable	Rates	
4 per cent	Bombay Port Trust	... 1922	105	0
4 per cent	,, ,,	... 1930	105	0
4 per cent	,, ,,	... 1932	105	0
4 per cent	,, ,,	... 1935	104	0
4 per cent	Bombay Municipal	... 1934	104	0
5 per cent	,, ,,	... 1943	104	0
5 per cent	,, ,,	... Tansa	120	0
5 per cent	,, ,,	... Sanitary	118	0
4 per cent	B. Imp. Trust	... 1959	103	8
4 per cent	,,	... 1934-35	101	0

BULLION.

Silver has fluctuated slightly during the week home prices remaining high. It is reported that the Government of India is still buying in London. The local market continues firm, but the up-country demand is poor, the average offtake being about 25 bars per day.

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	24	0	3
Australian Bar Gold	24	15	9
Bombay	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns ...	15	1	6
Do Dragons	15	0	0
Silver Bar duty Ready ...	76	1	0
Do. 1st settlement ...	76	3	0
Do 2nd do	75	7	6

PIECE-GOODS.

There has been only a limited demand for spot goods during the interval. Prices have, however, firmed up, and are steady at the advance, a good all round demand is generally looked for in a few days' time. There is fair enquiry for forward delivery, but as offers are based on Bombay values business is not possible.

LOCAL YARNS

The following are the latest telegrams from China

	Unsold.	Uncleared.	Weekly Sales.
Shanghai ...	70,000	33,000	500
Hong-Kong	50,000	41,000	1,500
	120,000	74,000	2 000
	200,000 bales.		

The local market is steady

METALS.

COPPER AND YELLOW METAL.—Market keeps very high and home rates are unchanged, no forward business is passing locally.

IRON AND STEEL.—Market quiet but steady with little doing.

SPELTER quiet with little business reported.
PIGLEAD quiet with little business reported.
QUICKSILVER quiet with little business reported.

COALS.

A sale is reported of South Yorkshire coal shipment in December at Rs. 14 8. In Bengal coal some 6,000 tons en route for another part, but put on the market here owing to damage to steamer, has been sold at Rs. 10-8.

The last fixture of freight, Calcutta to Bombay is reported at Rs. 4-10.

SHARES.

The market is quiet. Bank of Bombay shares are weak at Rs. 1,420, Commercials are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 40. In Mill Companies Allianee Cotton are unchanged at Rs. 370. Bombay Cotton have declined to Rs. 890. Bombay United to Rs. 610. Central Indias have improved to Rs. 2,030. Connaughts have changed hands at Rs. 550. Colaba Land after touching Rs. 950 have again improved to Rs. 970. Currimbhais after touching Rs. 1,250, have advanced to Rs. 350, Davids have improved to Rs. 480 from Rs. 470. Empress after touching Rs. 425 have again improved to Rs. 430, Hindustan are unchanged at Rs. 740. Western Indias at Rs. 740. Indian Manufacturing have declined to Rs. 920. Howard and Bullough have changed hands at Rs. 650. James Greaves are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 550. Jamsheds at Rs. 210. Leopolds are weak at Rs. 115. Manockji Petits after touching Rs. 3,150 have again improved to Rs. 3,200. Queen have ruled at and about Rs. 900. Southern Marathas have changed hands at Rs. 207 1/2. Standards are quiet at Rs. 1,390 Swadeshis are unchanged at Rs. 1,650. Kohinoors have changed hands at Rs. 672 1/2. Luxmi Cotton have declined to Rs. 1,320. Phoenix to Rs. 107 1/2. Crescents after touching Rs. 140 have improved to Rs. 145. In Press Companies Mofussils are quiet at Rs. 52 1/2 a big lot of New Berar Press shares was placed during the week at Rs. 472 1/2 and Indian Cotton Company at Rs. 132 1/2. Volkarts are weak at Rs. 990. In miscellaneous list Alcocks are weak at Rs. 290 Bombay Burmahs are quiet at Rs. 9,200, Quarter Shares at Rs. 2,300. Badhans Piles are steady at Rs. 146. Kemps are quiet at Rs. 223. Port Canninga are unchanged at Rs. 415. Treachers are quiet at Rs. 575 Thackers are unchanged at Rs. 240. Bombay Telephones are quiet at Rs. 30 1-2. In Railway Companies Tapti Valley have declined to Rs. 430 Ahmedabad Prantej to Rs. 510. The rest are unchanged and quiet at previous quotations.

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BANKS.

	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up	Last Half Yearly Divid.	Rat.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs. p.	Rs
Bank of Bombay ...	40,000	500	all	12 p. c.	1,43
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THE B I S N Co's steamer Urlana, 2583 tons, Captain J E T Butler, will sail to-day for Rangoon, &c with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Lhasa, 936 tons, Captain H McDiarmed, sailed yesterday for Karachi, with a general carg and passengers.

THE and S S Co's steamer Mohammadi, 1252 tons, Captain A D Storey, arrived in harbour yesterday from Jeddah 10th December, with a general cargo and 23 deck passengers.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—Dec. 22.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
Elden(bque)	114	Gutagtl			The Captain
Kasara	505	Browning			M M & Co
Tientsin	3593	Andrews	Stream	23-10	P & O Co
Pundit	3892	Crebbin	K'chi	N F	T M & Co
Heighington	182	Toft			W & A G & Co
Oriental	6783	Lowdlin	Aden	16-12	P & O Co
Dwarka	750	Hirat			M M & Co
Clan Graham	1857	Coate			P & P S N Co
Nurani	257		Bullis		T M & Co
Goalpara	139		Mason		H & P S N C
Caledonia	3622		To que	Londo	P & O C
Urlana	3593		Butler	Giggon	M M & C
Mazagon	2269	Hall			P & O Co
Arabia	4167	Leigh		London	23-12 P & O Co
Bengal	751	Cooke		N F	P & Co
Persia	4198	Powell			20 1 P & O Co
Mohammadi	1252	Storey			B & P S N Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
A	Arcadia	3514	Cubitt	China	26-12	P & O Co
B	Indus	3813	Monach	Persian Gulf	31-12	Glade & Co
C&H	Ilderton	2315	Crooks	Garston	30-12	A Willis
F	Claverley	1901	Mortheson	Gepva	30-12	M M & Co
H	Moorhart	1459	Molony	Jeddah	4-1	B & P S N
K	Coromandel	2381	Holloway	Bombay	23-12	C Tajiboy
N	Schonfels	3511	Oncher	Colombo	0-12	Glado & Co
P	Afghanistan	8248	Moore	Phila'phia	0-12	P A Willis

Offside.

K	Kaiser	1415	Mott	Zanzibar	30-12	A Strandes

P. D. H. W.

Mahonadi	647	Hoosein	K'chi		23-12	Shephd & Co
Kweri	353	Abid	Bedgar		3-1	Skpd & Co
Puri	643	Faker	Mandfo		23-12	Shpd & Co

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1	Balmoral	2330	Wood	London	23-12	W & A G & Co
2	Mosalia	3.80	Thomson	Liverpool	31-32	W & A G & Co
3	Birsthall	2748	Jones	Antwerp	28-12	W & AG&Co
6	Pekin	2922	LeMare	Kobe	23-12	P & O Co
7	Uta	3334		Livingstone		M M & Co
8	Maria V	2511	Bratton	Fiesto	31-12	A L S N Co
9	Ka of the Thistle	1281	Baker	Kobe	23-12	T M & Co
10&11	Babenfels	933	Kniffner	K'chi	26-2	Glade and Co
10	Kineraig	3382	Campbell	Hull	23-12	W & AG&Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
22	Persia s	Powell	London, Dec 1
	Mohammadi s	Storey	Jeddah, Dec 10

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
21	Sirsa s	Clarke	Calcutta, &c
	Lhasa s	McDiarmed	Karachi

The steamer Urlana, Butler, for Rangoon, &c, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—
Steamer Trieste, for Trieste, &c
" St Ibrahe, for Liverpool, &c
" Mohammadi, for Jeddah

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Messageries Maritimes Co's steamer Australien, left Marseilles, for Colombo on Wednesday the 20th instant, and may be expected here on Thursday the 11th January.

The steamer Alberto Treves, Captain P Cocco left Aden on the 18th instant, and may arrive here on the 24th at night.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, December 23.

Miniature Rifle Range at Ghat Kopar will be available for Class Firing on Sunday next, the 24th instant.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. BUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, December 23.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

The office will be closed as usual, from the 23rd instant to the 3rd proximo both days inclusive.

A. STIFFE, Capt. R.A.
Adjt. B. V. A.

HIGH COURT.—December 23.

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BATCHELOR.

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G. I. P. RAILWAY.

The following is the comparative statement of Traffic earnings for week ending 8th November 1905.

	Coaching Traffic.	Goods Traffic.	Sundry Receipts.	Total for the week
Approximate earnings for week ending 11th Nov. 1905— G I P Ry system.	Rs. 3,39,653	Rs. 5,81,209	Rs. 4,071	Rs. 9,24,397
I M R do	69,271	1,24,852	777	1,94,900
Total	4,08,924	7,06,131	4,848	11,19,297
Actuals for corresponding week ending 12th Nov. 1904— G I P R system	2,13,271	4,19,938	5,076	6,68,285
I M R do	84,10	88,22	616	1,73,148
Total	2,97,377	5,38,160	5,692	8,41,232
Increase or Decrease	G I P R +1,25,782	+1,31,331	−955	+2,56,12
	I M R. −14,845	+36,630	−197	+21,982

THE OPIUM REVENUE.

The following is the Opium Revenue to date compared with the Estimates for the year 1905-1906:—

Latest Month.

Presidency.	Estimate.	Actual.	Better than Estimate.	Worse than Estimate
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
In November 1905— Bengal	80,00,000	52,72,10	....	27,30
In October 1905— Bombay	15,00,000	8,20,500	....	4,7,5
Total	69,00,000	64,92,600	....	5,07,400

3 sales of Bengal opium and 2 months' pass duty in opium exported from Bombay:—

Presidency.	Estimate.	Actual.	Better than Estimate.	Worse than Estimate
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
To end of November 1905— Bengal	4,48,00,000	4,77,15,5.0	25,15,510	.....
To end of October 1905— Bombay	72,00,000	53,67,000	....	18,33,00
Total	5,20,00,000	5,27,12,510	7,12,510	....

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THE LIBERAL POLICY.

The promised demonstration at the Albert Hall has come and fulfilled its purpose in giving some insight into the policy of the Liberal Party. It may be due to the necessary brevity of cablegrams that there seems the usual vagueness that has characterised the Liberal utterances. What the list of domestic reforms may be, we shall learn at a later date; for the present we must rest content with the main features. It is quite true, as Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman observed, that the late Government will probably find its most severe critic on Indian affairs in Lord Curzon, but it would seem that Mr. Morley will not be averse to accepting whatever strictures may be offered by siding with the late Viceroy. But, now freed from office, Mr. Brodrick may find opportunity of explaining to the public the inner meaning of the controversy on which the Viceroy's command of language stood him in such good stead. As Mr. Morley is not likely to be asked "to be party to any step involving any invasion of the sacred principle of subordination of the Military to the Civil," it would appear that we shall not be overwhelmed with such lengthy despatches as flooded India a few months ago. Let the political cat issue erratic animal, and in the turmoil of elaborating a policy the Liberal party may quite probably find that even India, the uncomprehended, is a better bone than none at all. The attitude towards Germany will be welcomed by both sides of the House, for although there may be others, more clear sighted than Sir Henry, who have seen cause for estrangement, yet it is, an obvious duty to avoid any unnecessary friction at a time when the peace of Europe is essential. It is so extremely probable that Parliament will not meet before the dissolution that Lord Elgin's South African policy may never get beyond the stage of words. The cheering of nine thousand people for five minutes at a demonstration does not necessarily represent the feeling of the nation, and South Africa will find that in this matter its English supporters have increased greatly in numbers since the lie was given to the Liberal assertion that the employment of Asiatic labour in the mines meant a diminution of the number of whites employed. We fail to see what other construction can be put upon the Irish policy than what has been described as Home Rule on the Instalment system. If purely domestic affairs are to be placed in the hands of the Irish it follows that Irish hands must be found to hold them, and this can mean nothing but the creation of a system capable of being spread out so as to embrace everything which Mr. John Redmond asks. The country has long since shown that it will not accept a Home Rule policy. There are, therefore, two main principles in the policy of which the country will soon have an opportunity of showing its disapproval. But more important than either of these is the very hard task of combating the desire for protection which is in evidence everywhere except in Liberal Committee rooms and which, it is now owned, is a very serious menace to Liberalism. Obviously the fiscal problem is to play a very large part in the next electoral decision, and any opposition to this, coupled with avowed antagonism to the Education Act, will greatly strengthen the Conservatives who are bound to benefit by being in Opposition. Lord Elgin has, in his despatch to Lord Selborne, wandered far from the avowed attitude of the Liberals towards the Chinese labour question and it may lead to some awkward questions being asked for, Liberal or Conservative promises are promises and with Ireland, South Africa, Education and the Fiscal question Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and his colleagues will find Office considerably less pleasant than they anticipated.

WISDOM IN PROVERBS.

THERE are many ways by which we can make acquaintance with a people, but it is not easy for an outsider to fathom the inmost sentiments of a nation, study he never so closely. The late Mr. Young, Judicial Commissioner of Oudh, believed that the proverbs current in a country gave the key to the character of its inhabitants, and would assist the foreigner and the ruler to discover a common basis on which to found a mutual understanding and a peaceable solution of all difficulties. Mr. Young considered the subject in its bearings on the mind of the Englishman who stays at home, and yet is engaged in the government of a people of whom mentally he knows little, though ethnographically he has learned much and seen something. It seemed to him possible to imbibe a knowledge of the intellectual and moral calibre, of the social instincts and civil and political aptitudes of the people of India by a careful study of the current proverbs of their interesting land, for these show the thought and sentiment that have animated generations, and, in India their form, frequently in verse and in condensed language, makes them perhaps enter more into the daily talk of the people than in other countries. For this reason, a study of the traditional maxims should do much towards a comprehension of the workings of the Indian mind. It is not easy to imagine the statesmen at the India Office seeking inspiration at this source, for the purpose of solving knotty questions such as the Partition of Bengal, or Coolie Emigration, or the understanding of the wildest Congress aspirations. The literary man will follow the genius of a people willingly through the convolutions of their embodied wisdom, and to such Mr. Young's collection of proverbs is a fascinating treat. The references to types that dominate the social edifice here are somewhat pointed but true. We, in India, recognise the strength of feeling of the place-hunter. He has many proverbs to himself such as "Stick to your patrons skirt, and take care it is a strong one." "Better than Arab horse, a dog well recommended." If he be a sad dog, there is a Persian adage that sets a limit to the incapacity of the protege, "To eat sweetmeats, one must have a mouth." The valu to an Indian servant of a solid rest in the day-time, when he may leisurely prepare himself for his meal, cook and then enjoy it is expressed in many wise saws. There are others that mock at hollow show such as is often made in consonance with public opinion when private means run short. "A great name, nothing more" is applicable to the empty display that takes the place of true hospitality. At vulgar pretence a crushing couplet is aimed. "A mangy little pup, in velvet coat dressed up." "Small mouth, mighty swallow" describes the capacity and greed of the lower class of officials whose oppression is the terror of the poor, though it is the custom of the country, unfortunately. The compiler of these Hindustani proverbs quotes on this point, a native official of rank, who told him that he could count on his fingers, the natives of his acquaintance, who never took bribes, and admitted that when he was young, and on small pay, he used to take a rupee per village at festivals to help him along. That doubled his income. With higher pay came a recognition of the error of such a course, yet this man was considered an excellent officer in every way.

The conservative nature of the Hindu is attested by many proverbs. So is his dislike of the incongruous. He expresses the necessity of cutting one's coat according to the cloth by "Measure first your sheet, Then stretch out your feet" wherein we recognise the substitution of sheet for coat in this tropical and insect riden climate as a protection against mosquitos and their tribe. The resignation with which the tyranny of rulers in ages long gone by was met by their submissive subjects has many an illustrative adage. Might is right comes as "Who can deal the heaviest blow, shall have the buffalo." "The lord's law is as sudden death." "Though blows the master ply, the servant dare not cry." The ruler had a gay old time then, humility was generally the law for the majority, and always for the poor. "As the dice fall, play you must. What the king does, that is just." If the sayings relating to Indian domestic life be true, they give a very unfavourable idea of its chances of happiness. "No fear, no love" and "The house of kindness is the house of blindness." "Tis fear of the stick Makes the monkey so quick." "If I tell, mother will be beaten. If I don't, dog's flesh will be eaten" indicates the difficulty of decision in a dilemma. Many of the proverbs are practically identical with our own, expressing in different imagery the same idea. A bird in the hand is "Better a dog in hand, Than brother in far-off land. "Instead of crying. Help me soul! Sit-to yourself, the job is done." The money-lender, though so necessary an evil all through India, is a target for many severe cuts in the repertory of Indian wisdom. Spiteful people, the empty babbler, the man who runs after a shadow, have passed into a proverb here as elsewhere. One curious saying is peculiar to the country, and illustrates a singular exercise of self sacrifice for the good of the community. "A leper grim on death is bent, He seeks out one of like intent" refers to the days when a leper, tired of life, desired to commit suicide. The Hindu pious books held this to be a meritorious action and it was supposed to benefit the victim and the victim's family, exempting them for ever from leprosy. The whole village rejoiced over the noble deed, and attended the garlanded chief actor to the grave in which he sat. Earth was filled in, and when he was covered up, his nearest relatives were the first to stamp on the grave. The writer in the "Asiatic Quarterly" felt obliged to stop this proceeding on one occasion. The leper proudly stated that God had filled him with the idea, and that he was quite determined to commit suicide, some way or other. So the poor wretch was marched off to prison.

Pilgrims get a smart rap in the following: "Three score rats and ten Puss devoured, and then—set out for Holy Mecca." The charge of ingratitude, often levelled at natives of India is hardly supported by some current sayings: "His praise repeat Whose bread you eat" and "Who deals the food is always good." The Oriental estimate of woman of course finds a place in the proverbial philosophy of India, and though it is difficult for the European to judge if it be in any way justified at the present time, he will see in the uncomplimentary distichs an explanation of the durance vile in which Mahomedans and Hindus kept their womankind. The male Oriental, says the writer from whom we quote, has not the faintest shadow of scruple in laying the whole burden on the woman. A Persian proverb says, "In woman, land or gold, The cause of every ill is told," and a Hindu one is even more scathing: "Bad are women, black and white; In one field kill both outright," and another that is too popular says, "A treacherous wife will take thy life And then desire to share thy pyre." To say, as this writer does, that Hindus and Mahomedans condemn the women dependent on them to "life-long incarceration" is putting the case much too strongly. It is the high caste ladies themselves who are the strongest advocates of the purdah system. Many recognise that there are no desperate risks to be run in our peaceful times by leaving the seclusion of walled-in homes and gardens, but habit is as strong as iron bands, and it will take more than one generation to discredit the purdah system in India. It does not necessarily imply a belief in the inferiority of women to men as is here hinted, but rather the dome tic character of their cares and duties and possibly the high value in which they are held. There are many worse customs in India on which war might be waged. There is not very much national significance in the proverbs that Mr. Young has collected, but he holds that national life does not exist in India, the chief social and political links are those of family, race and religion. He believes that were an Indian, presumably a Bengali ryot, asked wherein the Government could be improved, he would ask that the income-tax be not levied, that the land-tax and octroi should be reduced that under official's should be stopped from bullying, that female schools should be closed, that robbers should not be kept and fed in gaols, but that their hands should be chopped off; and that money should be spent on village roads in use. His demands would apparently be moderate, the higher politics would have no place in the list. The Hindustani proverbs are applicable to a simple life with few but vital needs.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

THERE has been much to interest our Royal visitors during the last week. In the progress of their tour, which has been so carefully arranged for the purpose, they rarely fail to find almost a plethora of things to which both personal inclination and duty compel their attention. The visit to Agra, the city of tombs of the Emperors of the past, with the famous Taj Mahal as its crowning jewel, provided a very feast of sight-seeing, not the least interesting item of which was the motor excursion to Fatehpur-Sikri, the deserted city. The unveiling of the Memorial statue of the late Queen-Empress and the Memorial Market at Gwalior bearing her name are proofs of the reverence in which her memory is held and the fact that the final handing over to the people has been at the hands of the future King cannot but impress upon the minds of all how fully the occupant of the British Throne represents the power and stability of Britain. The State Durbar at Gwalior was a fitting sequel to the typically Indian entry into the Capital of the State. The procession on elephants is one of the most Oriental experiences that they can meet. Later on, if their wishes be fulfilled, the Municipality will see the ordinary traveller entering Gwalior in electric trams along streets which are already lit by electric light from a system opened by His Royal Highness, but for the present modern electric traction is only a dream. But of all the Prince's actions during the week nothing can be looked upon with greater satisfaction than the presentation of South African medals to ten of the Maharaja's men. His Highness has spoken of his loyalty to the British Throne and this concession of the magnificent state Ratlam is a conclusive proof that his loyalty is not a matter of words but of deeds.

CONSULAR OFFICERS IN TRADE.

THE Mercantile Marine Service Association, it is interesting to note, have raised a much discussed point anent the British Consular Service. They particularly object to the selection of candidates "who are not free from trade interests, and therefore cannot carry out the duties of their office impartially, and with justice to all concerned." The Association in communicating with the Foreign Office on this subject, referred to a case, where one of its members, a shipmaster, at a port on the West Coast of South America, found that the Vice-Consul was also consignee of the cargo, and experienced great difficulty in consulting this gentleman in his dual capacity. Shipmasters at foreign ports have frequently to consult the Vice-Consul in his official capacity on matters pertaining to the ship, cargo, or crew, and, where the official does not occupy a free and independent position it may happen (the Association urge) that he uses his power and authority as Vice-Consul, to the detriment of the Master's position. While on the one hand there is undoubtedly a good deal in the contentions of the Association on the other, it is difficult to see how Consular appointments could be filled by men having no trade interests whatsoever, unless the British Government is prepared to offer sufficient pecuniary inducements to others to join the service, a very remote contingency.

THE Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of India is given the privilege of private entree to Government House.

THE Northern Bengal Mounted Rifles will provide the escort on the occasion of the royal visit to Darjeeling.

THE King has been graciously pleased to appoint Mr. Henry Hamad Dawson Beaumont, to be a First Secretary in his Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

THE Legislative Council for the New Province will shortly be inaugurated; but the precise date is still unsettled.

OWING to heavy snow on the Lowarai, the Chitral mails from and to India could not cross the Pass on the 11th and 12th instant.

AMONG the passengers who arrived in Bombay yesterday by the P. and O. S. N. Co's steamer Persia were:—Sir H. Stephen, Hon. Miss H. Russell, Lady Noreen Bass, and the Hon. G. Kienaird.

THE King has been pleased to appoint Sir John Anderson, K.C.M.G., (Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Straits Settlements,) to be also Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Labuan and its dependencies.

THE latest report for Rajputana reveals an increase of 4,946 in the numbers of those in receipt of famine relief. A very large part of this increase, 3,055 in fact, was due to a rise in the figures for Ajmer-Merwara where the total of persons on relief of all kinds now stands at 31,723.

AMONG recent contributions to the Medical College scheme the Rani of Pyagpur has given Rs. 12,000 to the fund, while Seth Bagtar Dyal, the Prime Minister, has announced his intention of giving Rs 7,000 to found two scholarships, one at the Men's and the other at the Women's College.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, for the week ending 4th Nov. amounted to Rs 1,293, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 861. Total earnings from 1st July to 4th November were Rs. 23,250, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 4,151.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti Valley Railway, for the week ending 4th November, amounted to Rs. 15,481 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 5,181. Total earnings from 1st July to 4th November were Rs. 2,13,753, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 74,132.

IN addition to the numerous Conferences and Congresses already fixed to take place at Benares next week, some Indian gentlemen interested in the material development of the country have succeeded in organising a gathering which is to be known as "the first Indian Industrial Conference." Considering the date at which the promoters have entered the field, their aims are certainly ambitious. In a circular dated the 11th December, and addressed presumably to various Indian associations, the recipients are requested to hold elections forthwith and to arrange for the despatch of the elected delegates to Benares so that the Conference, which meets on the 30th December may be "a thoroughly representative body." The notion of getting together a body representative of the industries of India in little more than a fortnight and christening it through the fiction of an election, an all-Indian Conference is thoroughly characteristic of the Indian politician. It would need a great deal more time and trouble to organise a representative cricket match. However Mr R. C. Dutt is to fill the office of President, and it is announced that several eminent men have undertaken to read papers, but looking to the programme of public fixtures already laid down for Benares, the difficulty will be rather to find an audience.

LORD Rosebery in one of his recent speeches put in a claim on behalf of India to be accounted a constituent element of the British Empire along with the self-governing Colonies. The eloquent speaker; says the Pioneer, might well have gone further for India is in a special manner a part of the Empire, being governed by the Imperial Parliament, which these Colonies are not. The importance of this from a fiscal point of view may be easily seen when we recollect the circumstances under which the new fiscal policy was first proposed. Doubtless a Parliamentary Government might direct the Indian Viceroy to take off the duties on a goods imported from Home, and might offer a compensation to give preference to Indian products imported into Great Britain. How such an order would work is not the question; it might be issued and could be enforced. It can hardly be necessary to point out that nothing of the sort could be done in Canada or Australia, such Colonies having industries of their own to protect and not being amenable to orders from Home, as we were taught once for all a century and a half ago. They may hoist the Union Jack over the residences of their titular Governors, they may, of their own free will, contribute assistance in men or in money; but the acts of the Imperial Parliament and the orders of the Imperial Government are little more to them than they are to the peoples of the United States. India is not only an integral part of the British Empire, but it supplies the Empire with more than one object-lesson. Take, for example, the question of Home Rule: with its own languages, its own law and legislature, and with its own administrative system, it enjoys all the practical advantages of Home Rule, while remaining ultimately subject to the Central Government, as is shown clearly in matters of Customs tariff as already noted. If a few experts like Lord Lansdowne Sir Antony MacDonnell and Sir Horace Plunkett were properly commissioned, they could surely draw up a scheme for the local administration of Ireland which would satisfy all honest and reas

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LONDON, DEC. 21.

...ampbell-Bannerman, speaking at the ...al demonstration held at the Albert ..., in alluding to India, said that the ...e Government will be to keep the quea... internal administration of that country out... ...rty politics.

...late Government would,he sa id, meet the mos... ...ing critic not in Mr. Morley, but in Lord ...on.

...e then referred to the controversy which had ...en in India, and which he characterised as un...ifying. It would, he said, be the aim of the Govern...ment to restore the spirit of proportion and vigorous common sense which has been the boast of British rule in India.

In conclusion, he said that His Majesty's Government will not be a party to any step involving any invasion of the sacred principle of subordination of the Military to the Civil.

LONDON, DEC. 22.

Nine thousand were present at Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's meeting in the Albert Hall last night, including most of the members of the Cabinet The most intense interest and enthusiasm prevailed. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman in his speech further said that Mr. Balfour's attempts to shift the issue did not effect the Nation's judgment. He reaffirmed his adhesion to the Anglo-Japanese alliance and the entente with France. As regards Germany he saw no cause for estrangement and welcomed the recent unofficial demonstrations of friendship between the two countries. Regarding general foreign relations, the Party was opposed to aggression and adventure as much as ever and the present fiscal system was the most powerful ally in executing the policy of peaceful co-operation with all nations in the work of civilization. It was unnecessary for the Liberals to protest affection for the Colonies whose Democratic instincts had most affinity with the Liberals.

Lord Elgin said he found no trace of an alleged tendency to disruption and no sign of friction except in South Africa where the difficulties and complications were great, but Government had resolved to arrest forthwith as far as practicable the importation of Chinese.

(Cheers lasting five minutes followed this statement).

Self-Government, he said, was the foundation of the Government's Irish policy. Purely domestic affairs should, as opportunity offers, be placed in the hands of the Irish. He warned the Liberals against over confidence and said Liberalism was at stake in the struggles regarding Protection.

He then propounded a long list of domestic reforms.

"DEPLORABLY BAD TASTE."

The "Daily Telegraph" states that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's reference to the Curzon-Kitchener disputes on his speech at Albert Hall is in deplorably bad taste, but we ough not to be mis taken in holding that the reference implies the immediate recall or inevitable resignation of Lord Kitchener.

THE CHINESE LABOUR QUESTION.

A Modified Attitude

Lord Elgin, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in a despatch addressed to Lord Selborne, Governor of the Transvaal and Oranze Colony states that as the real wishes of the majority of the Transvaal rs regarding the importation of Chinese Labour have not been authoritatively expressed and will not be ascertainable until the elective legislature has been established, the Imperial Government has decided that the importation of Chinese shall be arrested pending the decision regarding the grant of a responsible Government to the Transvaal,

THE RISING IN RUSSIA.

State of Moscow.

LONDON DEC. 21.

After a sanguinary conflict in which hundreds of rebels have been killed, the troops have regained possession of Tukkum, but it is reported the rebels have seized some other towns.

The situation at Moscow is serious. Martial law has been proclaimed and the city is in darkness. Fifty thousand men are inside.

A similar situation prevails at St. Petersburg.

THE TROUBLE AT SHANGHAI.

Dispute Settled.

Order has been generally restored at Shanghai. The Viceroy of Nankin has arrived and promptly settled the Mixed Court dispute and the Court will reopen probably to-morrow.

The Marine Guards are still maintained.

NEW GREEK PREMIER.

Cabinet Formed.

M. Theotokis has formed a new Greek Cabinet.

OBITUARY.

The death is announced of Mr. Henry Harland, the author.

By the death of Mr. Henry Harland the literary would loses one of its brightest ornaments. His death at the early age of forty-five once more illustrates the dangers attendant upon an active literary career. The fire of genius too often compels the burning of the candle at both ends; and nature's penalty is exacted all too quickly But a few days ago Reuter reported the death of another famous ornament of the world of books—William Sharp—a truly brilliant writer. This year has also seen the death of Guy Boothby, a prolificwriter of adventurous stories, at an age considerably less than that attained by Henry Harland. The latter, like so many clever writers of yore, has not lived to witness the adequate recognition of his great ability. Perhaps the best of his works was his "Comedies and Errors" which he published in 1898. This had been preceded by two other works, "Mademoiselle Miss" (1893) and Grey Roses "(1895). Among other books of more or less merit for which he was responsible were "The Cardinal's Snuff Box." "The Lady Paramount," and "My Friend Prospero." But it was his editorship of "The Yellow Book" that made Henry Harland's name familiar to the general reader. The author had a wide knowledge of men and things, and passed much of his life abroad. He was born in St. Petersburg, was educated at Harvard, Paris and Rome, [illegible] studied [illegible] made some [illegible]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE WATT CASE.

Ex-M.P. Sentenced to Five Years' Imprisonment.

LONDON, DEC 22.

The sensational trial of Hugh Watt, an ex-Member of Parliament, charged with having in August last unlawfully attempted to procure one Herbert Marshall, a private enquiry agent, to murder the wife of Watt, has ended in Watt being sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

AN ENGLISH SPY RELEASED.

After a Year of Terrible Suffering.

A Hongkong merchant named Gedded (?) who was arrested in Manchuria as a spy has arrived in England, having been just released after a year of terrible sufferings.

LORD MINTO ON NON-POLITICAL SOCIETIES.

SWADESHISM AS IT SHOULD BE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 22.

H. E. Lord Minto to-day received deputations, with addresses of welcome, from the Mahomedan Literary Society and the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce. The former was read by Mr. Abdul Rahman, and the latter by the Maha rajah of Kasam Bazar. His Excellency made a very cordial reply to each.

To the Mahomedan Literary Society in the course of his remarks Lord Minto said :— "Dissociated as your Society is from the struggles of political warfare, you can claim nevertheless to have done much already to direct the higher life of the people on broad lines which, whilst affectionately guarding the wealth of your own Oriental literature, have, at the same time recognised the value of Western education in the solution of the many problems surrounding the development of modern culture and civilisation. Much has, I know, been done directly through the Mohamedans' efforts. The College at Aligarh, the noble work of Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, will always bear evidence of broad-minded Mussulman thought and the recent movement for the encouragement of the study of Arabic gives further proof of a care for Eastern culture. But from the point of view of an administrator, from which perhaps I naturally address you the highest value of your efforts would appear to be deeply based on the example you are so ably demonstrating of a liberal appreciation of the combined educational advantages of the East and West. Aims, such as yours, have well deserved the confidence and the appr ciation they have always received from Government and I feel that I may rest assured of receiving from you the able assistance and advice which your Society is so competent to give."

In the course of his reply to the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce Lord Minto said :—" Though the objects of your society are, I am aware, unconnected with political life, the commercial interests which you represent must always make their influence felt in the history of your country. It lies with you to do much to assist the amelioration of many national wants whilst it rests with you to a great extent to further that spread of technical education which is every day becoming more necessary, whilst the control and direction of the Swadeshi movement on sound lines may well afford your Society ample opportunity for consideration. A devotion to the marvellous resources of this great country which are so open to a society such as yours will, I feel sure, afford you many opportunities of furthering that commercial welfare upon which the prosperity of all countries so largely depends."

THE RAILWAY BOARD TOUR.

RECORD OF WORK.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 22.

The following Press Communique regarding the recent tour of the Railway Board in the Bombay Presidency, and Northern India and Bengal has been issued. The Railway Board made a very extensive tour during November and December leaving Calcutta early in November. The Board proceeded to Bombay to discuss questions that had risen regarding the alignment of the proposed railway to connect Bombay and Kurrachee. Leaving Bombay a careful inspection was made of the Kathiawar System of railways and enquiries were made regarding the inclusion of the Morvi Railway into the existing joint working agreement for all the metre gauge lines in that locality. The Board then proceeded to Lucknow to confer with the Lieutenant-Governor regarding the new railway to be made in the United Provinces and other matters that required consideration.

The rest of the tour comprised a visit to Lahore in connection with the extensions of the workshops for the North-Western Railway and other administrative railway matters and finished with an inspection of the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway from Saharan pur to Benares. During their tour the lines over which they travelled were inspected and all important questions were discussed locally with the Railway authorities.

Since their return to Calcutta two days have been spent in a careful examination of the arrangements at Gcalundo and Khulna for dealing with the jute traffic in the busy season, the waggon ferry arrangements at Damukdia were also inspected and orders given to improve them.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 4th November, amounted to Rs. 3,614 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 455. Total earnings from 1st July to 4th November were Rs. 51,084, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 4,687.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

TIGER SHOOT AT GWALIOR.

THE PRINCE'S BULL'S-EYE SHOT.

A WILD BOAR HUNT.

AND

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A HORSE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

GWALIOR, DEC. 22.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales went out this morning after breakfast, for a tiger shoot. He secured a tiger this afternoon at Panear, accounting for it by a shot in the shoulder. The beast was travelling at a trot and was killed by the only shot fired. The Prince returned to the Palace at six o'clock this evening

A party of the suite and others went pigsticking at Susera, while the prince was out after tiger. Five boar were secured, but a beater and a horse were badly gored and another horse was accidentally killed. The animal reared when about to be mounted and overbalancing fell striking its head against a rock and being killed on the spot.

CALLCUTTA RECEPTION ARRANGEMENTS.

THE VICTORIA MEMORIAL HALL.

THE PRINCE TO LAY THE FOUNDATION STONE.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 22.

Rehearsals are now going on daily of the proceedings for the Royal reception here which promises to be exceedingly imposing.

Sir William Emerson, architect of Lord Curzon Victoria Memorial Hall, arrives at Calcutta about the 20th proximo with plans for superstructure of memorial which will then be taken in hand. Up to the present, foundations and plinth to about fifteen feet above the ground level have been completed. The stone which the Prince is to lay is now in position. It is a fine polished block of Italian marble and will be located in one of the piers of the main vestibule leading to the central dome.

THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

LORD LAMINGTON IN KANARA.

KARWAR, DEC. 22.

H. E. the Governor landed here this morning, visited the jail, hospital and school.

His Excellency received the Municipal and District Board addresses and replied to both. He spent this day in the Collector's house. The Governor dines there and holds a reception after dinner returning later to the Daffern.

LORD MINTO RECEIVES INDIAN CELEBRITIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 22.

His Excellency the Viceroy to-day received his Highness the Agha Khan, also the Kabul Envoy the Napalese representative and Raja Peary Mohar Mukerjee and BabooMoomoth Nath Roy Chowdhury

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 22

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Restrictions upon the coming festival at Tiruvalur, Chingleput, are notified as a plague precaution.

Captain Anderson, Officiating Assistant Cantonment Magistrate, Poona, reverts to Military employ and Captain Codrington from Ferozapore is posted to the Bombay presidency in a similar capacity

The Revd. M. W. Ragg is appointed Junior Chaplain, Lucknow Establishment.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. O. A. Travers is appointed a probationer on the enrolled list and posted to the Office of Comptroller of the Central Provinces.

RAILWAY BOARD.

It is notified that the Railway Board have sanctioned surveys to be carried out by the Bengal-Nagpur Railway for lines from Kamptee to Ramtek and from Tumsar road to Katangi to serve the Manganese deposits in the Central Provinces ; also the survey by the Eastern-Bengal State Railway for a line from Nerokona to Lengar bazaar, Assam : also the survey by the Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway for a line from Idar-Road Station on the Ahmedabad Parantij Railway to Brahma Khed and the survey by the North-Western Railway of a line from Patiala via Samana to Yakhal.

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Hussels, Mr Ali	Whittell, Mrs A L
Key, Mrs	Ahlin, Dr Carlos J
Litte, Mr C W G	Geil Mr and Mrs H G
Logan Cap L S	Goodchild, Mr
Macdougall, Mr P W	Shivaeh-vaya, M M P
Martin, Mrs	MacGaw, Mr W J M
McPherson, Mr and Mrs S	M lli an, Mr A V
McPherson, Miss	McNair, D Robert
Morrow Mr and Mrs	Cassa I, Mr A
Nand, Mr Brahma	Marke, Mr
Powden, Cap T C	Cabitt, R N R Capt A G
Pym, Miss	Campbell, Col F
Pyne, Miss Murray	Menesche Mr L
Savage Mr H	Hale, Miss
Sladen, Mr J	Fender, Mr D J
Vincent, Mrs	McDonough Mr J D C
Vyse, Capt Howard	Khambata, Mr D R
Sinha, Mr G	Bell, Major R M
Bashford, Dean Professor	Gunning, Mr J R
Bashford Miss Mrs	Olmo-hill, Mrs M
Hamilton, Col H	Plummer, Lt Col T H
Mackrae, Mr F C	Seymour, M.
Watts, Mr	Sharff Mr A

THE RECEPTION OF THE PRINCESS OF WALES.

A meeting in connection with the Committee for the reception by the Indian Ladies of H. R. H. the Princess of Wales was held on Thursday when it was stated that the total amount of the contributions was Rs. 14,917. The expenses attendant upon the reception were as follows ;—Albums, Rs. 3,000, Hire of furniture carpets, materials of decorations, including decorating throne, committee's badges, &c., Rs. 2,149-4-0, Refreshments, Rs. 1,032-1-3, Lights inside the Town Hall chandeliers Rs. 831-8-0 Lights outside the Town Hall and stops Rs. 342-8-0, Printing stamps, advertisements, invite cards and telegrams, &c., Rs. 705 2-0 Flower decorations, Rs, 381-8-0. School girls conveyance, clerks' fees, assistance, supervision polices and Town Hall fees, Rs. 256-1-0. Sundries, Rs. 101-14-0. Total Rs. 8,826-16-3, Balance Rs. 6,090-5-9. These accounts were unanimously passed. For the disposal of the balance the meeting was postponed to Thursday the 31st of January 1901 at 5 p.m. at Begum Mumtazjahan Nusrulakhan's bungalow at Chowpaty.

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ALLEGED SEDITION.

EDITOR OF A MARATHI PAPER IN TROUBLE.

IN the Esplanade Police Court before Mr. N. W. Kemp, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bhaskar Balwant Bhopatkar, B.A., LL.B., editor and publisher of a Marathi paper called the 'Bhala" of Poona, was again put up yesterday at the instance of Mr. Mirza Abbas Ali Baig for committing an offence under section 124 A. of the Indian Penal Code.

Mr. E.F. Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, prosecuted ; while Mr. De Souza pleader, defended the accused.

The following are the further extracts from the impeached articles " A Durbar in Hell, " from the "Bhala," an English translation of which was put in by Mr. Mirza Ali Baig, the Oriental Translator to Government :—

"Then another man stately tall and stout, stood up and said your Majesty, I have perpetrated atrocities to a far which those of the aforesaid member (that is the last spoaker) are as nothing. Your Majesty, do please to hear (an account of them). The aforesaid member never harassed people in (his) own Kingdom, but I have harassed them also. I have oppressed them in various ways. I have dispossessed them to the battle field against their will, and I have caused them to be killed and slaughtered there. I have made the hearts of their friends and relatives at home break with sorrow on their account. I have robbed the people (of their) wealth in various ways ; and when they, having been disgusted with such oppression, came to me to seek redress, I have without hesitation, shot them down with bullets and mounded them with the sword and sent them to this Empire of Hell. Moreover, as the worth of a man increases in proportion to the oppression practised (by them) it becomes necessary to invest such oppression with a special civilized aspect with a view to aggravate it. That is to say, when those for whom it is to be exercised are not conscious of it, it can be practised for a longer period. My practice has, indeed, been in consonance with this policy. So I must be regarded superior to the above member, and therefore I stand above (others) at the throne! The Emperor of Hell appeared to be a little better pleased with this speech, and he particularly nodded (his head) as the idea of (a) civilized (mode of) oppression.

The following concludes the disputed article wherein another member of the Durbar is made to say:—

"Your Majesty, many persons have till now sung the praises of their own accomplishments, but all these pale before a narration of my qualifications. Your Majesty, a member gave you some idea of civilized oppression and you also nodded your head (in approval) as the same. From that I am perfectly convinced that I alone am (entitled) to obtain your kingdom. For, I have practised oppression fully in conformity with that very mode, Your Majesty, therefore, may be pleased to hear (an account of) my evolution. In the first place, I entered under the pretext of trade, a country in which I possessed no rights and with which I had no connection, and, by gradually fomenting dissensions among the people here, commenced to deprive them of their kingdom. Then I began to assume the authority of a King (by acting) on the principle 'might is right' I made many forged documents, I plucked out the teeth of the Queens there and robbed them of their wealth by starving them. I fined the money-lenders of that country by concocting documents and sent them to Hell. Then I became a King and usurped the Kingdom of many (persons). I robbed all of their independence. I removed their wealth from them to my own country, so that there could be no fear of its coming back. I then saddled them with different taxes ; taxed their incomes and (also) levied an impost upon a commodity which is vital to their existence, viz., salt. I gave them bodies of money and amid them (as) their own country. Then I deprived them of their arms and thus arranged that they should not be able to defend themselves, even if torn and devoured by wild beasts. I hanged many of them and increased their widows and children. I consumed kine, which are held sacred by them. I held many durbars like this without any reason and made a parade of my own greatness, threats and mixed earth with their food (that is destroyed or polluted their caste substance). I changed the direction of their educational (system) and banished the qualities (that is sentiments) of patriotism etc. from their minds and turned them into donkeys, for bearing loads. By selling them (as slaves) I would come by their assistance. I gave the beggar's bowl and wallet into their hands. I incessantly trod them under (my) boots, and made their hunger by systematically plundering their bodies. I made a bonfire of their lives, their wealth, their homes their religion, their reputation, their honour, their independence and everything (else) belonging them. Can there be any more civilized mode of oppression than (as) I adopt, to reform, deserve the throne.

The Emperor of Hell was highly gratified to hear his (speech), and getting up he cordially embraced that member. He gave fifty cheers in his name, (honour) and said you are able to continue this Government after me you have perpetrated many acts of cruelty up to this time and it is only in consequence of this that you have obtained this Kingdom by right ; we will, therefore very shortly crown you. The Ruler of Hell having spoken thus, the Durbar was dissolved as it was rather very late.

The article in question bears the signature of "Shri Krishna.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CASE.

Yesterday afternoon, the case was called on for further hearing before Mr Kemp, when the evidence of Krishnaji Vithal, Chief Constable of the Poona City, was continued. Examined by Mr. Nicholson, the witness said that he was present with Mr. Holman, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, took charge of the search warrant, and they searched the accused's house in 505, in Shanwar Peth, Poona, on the 15th instant, whose they found a punch of four persons and a punchnama was drawn up. The witness then produced a list of documents found in the house of the accused during the search. Amongst them was the copy of an application made in English by the accused to the Bombay Government for the renewal of his postal concession regarding his paper. In that letter the accused stated that the circulation of his paper which was a registered newspaper, was 2,250 copies, The paper was printed on the first, the eleventh and the twenty-first of every month. A letter from the accused's Bombay Agents, dated the 15th of October, last, was produced, in which he agent intimated to the accused that all copies of the 11th of October last then contained the Bombay Bazar, Assam : also the survey by the Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway for a line from Idar-Road Station on the Ahmedabad Parantij Railway to Brahma Khed and the survey by the North-Western Railway of a line from Patiala via Samana to Yakhal.

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STANDARD TIME IN BOMBAY.

TIME BALL ARRANGEMENTS.

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Should the apparatus for dropping either of the Time Balls get out of order, a flag will be hoisted and dropped at the usual hour instead of the Ball.

YACHT CLUB RACES.

Yachts Handicap Race to start with time in hand to-day.

Names of Boats.	Time Allows M	S	Entered by	Start at
Pixie	21	0	Mr H R Greaves..	2 39 0
Trixie	21	0	Mr B G Monteath,	2 39 0
Mandalin	37	0	Officers, R A	2 23 0
Sapphire	Sch		Mr R H H Hopkins & Capt Muter, R E	2 0 0
Estella	42	0	Mr R Carruthers	2 18 0
Erin	21	0	Mr R H Ireland...	2 39 0

Course :—From Committee Vessel round Butcher Beacon leaving it to Port, round Red Channel Buoy N of Butcher Island leaving it to Starboard, round H W H S Buoy N N E of Elephanta leaving it to Starboard and finishing between M ark boat and Lower Post at Hog Island. Course No 17—15 miles.

Tomtit Class and Small Boat Handicap Race—Sails at 3-5 p.m. to-day.

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Tomtit	8	0	Dr F M Gibson
Maud	15	0	Mr J E Needham
Lapwing	11	0	Capt S Goode and Capt R G Gillespie, RE
Midget	19	0	Officers, R A
Mew	8	30	Mr C H Byrne
Corallie	20	30	Capt C B Bonayne R A M C
Elise	13	0	Mr F S Punnett
Sayonara	Sch		Mr C G Nomico and Capt Crosse

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ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 8.

THE POLITICAL INTERREGNUM.

EVERYBODY is feeling somewhat the strain of the protracted labours of Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, and the whole nation will be relieved when next Monday comes. It is a long time since a complete change of Government has taken place in this country and one's memory is apt to be treacherous, but it does seem that the task now being undertaken by "C.-B." has been accomplished on previous occasions on the kind with more rapidity. The blame, if any blame at all, cannot be charged against his Majesty It is true that the Sovereign left London on Tuesday after entrusting the Liberal leader with a commission to form a new Government but his Majesty, it seems, was quite willing to return from Dorsetshire to-day if necessary. As it is he is prolonging his stay at Crichel until Monday when it is hoped that the Prime Minister will have completed his arrangements. The fact that Lord Rosebery stands aside has necessarily increased Sir Henry's difficulties which otherwise, it appears, have in the main arisen from conflicting ambitions—at least that is the general impression. Then there has been the later development arising from the Premier's apparent disinclination to be kicked up stairs on the plea that Lord Tweedmuth is not quite strong enough to lead the Liberal peers in the Gilded Chamber though I should have thought that duty would have devolved upon the Marquis Ripon unless he wished to be spared the not very terrible burden. Sir Edward Grey if all we hear is true has been formed to urging C.-B. to take a step which, if the liberals come in, can only be delayed a few months at the "Times" created a mild sensation this morning saying that as the Premier had finally made up his mind to postpone his acceptance of a peerage, his Cabinet would not contain the name whom, if the rank and file of the party could have their way, would be Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. It would seem to night from what appears in the evening and from the gossip in the clubs that the matter has been arranged in such a way as not to deprive the new Government of the invaluable services of Sir Edward Grey. The prospect before of as having for Foreign Secretary Lord Elgin is not regarded with much favour by Liberals generally, though it is admitted on all hands that as head of one or two other departments the ex-Liberal Viceroy would be an ideal Minister. The reason for Lord Elgin's sudden and unexpected appearance upon the scene as the probable successor of Lord Lansdowne in place of Sir E. Grey, the popular favourite is rightly or wrongly attributed to the King's desire that the Minister in charge of the country's Foreign relations should not sit in the House of Commons where owing to the greater freedom of the rules might be more tempted to make indiscreet admissions or commit blazing indiscretions than in the less heated atmosphere of the House of Lords.

LORD CURZON IN ENGLAND.

If the naked truth must be told the home-coming of the ex-Viceroy was a rather tame affair. To begin with he reached Dover on Sunday and Lord Harris was therefore compelled to abandon his idea of assembling the Kentish Yeomanry to form a guard of honour in sleepy English counties where the train service on Sundays is, to say the least, meagre men living in scattered places are not easily collected. In London there was no question of a guard of honour—the import of this is usually confined in the Metropolis to Royalty—but Lord Curzon came to town on a day when all our minds were preoccupied by the downfall of the "strongest Government of modern times" it is true that the venerable Archbishop of Armagh broke into poetry and in the always friendly columns of the first of our great journals hade Lord Minto's predecessor, "superb as Chatham, steadfast-souled as Burke" "welcome, high welcome to our wintry air." It is also true that many of the personal friends of Lord and Lady Curzon as well as a fair sprinkling of Anglo-Indian officials assembled at Charing Cross Station soon to be the scene of men and decoration ; but amongst the crowd on the platform one looked in vain for many well known faces of men prominent in the party with which the late Viceroy was associated in the political world before he entered upon Indian career and to which combination he still belongs for all one knows to the contrary. Mr. Brodrick could not in the circumstances be expected to attend and perhaps the presence of Mr. Balfour was out of the question, but there are others whom it might have been expected would not have been absent on such an occasion. It has been assumed that Sir Digoton Probyn, one of those at the railway station, attended on behalf of His Majesty. Such, however, is not the case. Sir Dighton was present in his capacity as a private individual and personal friend. Apropos of the speculations—much of them very idle I imagine—as to Lord Curzon's future public life it is interesting to note that the only three important politicians present—Viscount Goschen, Lord George Hamilton and Mr. Ritchie—are all Free Traders. Whether it was due to this fact or not I cannot say, but there was a curious little editorial in the "Globe" of Monday which it may be interesting to quote in full :—

"While tendering to Lord Curzon the warmest congratulations on his return to England in, apparently, much better health than he latterly had in India, we trust that this happy physical recruitment will not influence him to plunge into controversia heat. It was been or called given out by some judicious admirers of the ex-Viceroy that he purposes, after a brief rest, to associate himself with a campaign of that character, but it may be hoped that the restoration of his personal health on the voyage home has cleared his mind of the bitterness he displayed in his farewell speech immediately prior to embarkation. They are no real friends of Lord Curzon who incite him to endanger his well-earned reputation, for far-sighted well balanced statesmanship, by an excursion into mainly personal issues. With all the making of a great career in his hands, it would be regrettable, indeed, were he so ill-advised as to mar his future by seeking to vindicate his past. There is no need for that ; he may safely leave the invidious labour to history. At the moment, the national attention is concentrated on the political crisis, and will continue to be so focussed until the General Election has decided between the two great parties. As a Conservative-Unionist, therefore, Lord Curzon should render all the help in his power to the party with which he has always been intimately associated, and we feel well assured that he will, now that he finds himself in close personal touch with home politics, elect for that loyal—and honourable—course. For the rest, he may well be content to have achieved a reputation as Viceroy of India not second to that of any predecessor in the past, not even excepting Lord Clive and his immediate successors. They were builders of Empire ; to Lord Curzon it has been appointed to conserve the wonderful fabric their collective genius created."

One other London daily the "Mail" also published a short laudatory article welcoming Lord Curzon back "as one who has done good service for his country under trying conditions in a distant land. Those who predict that before long Lord Curzon will again be seen in the House of Commons may be right. The conclusive correspondents of provincial newspapers however have forgotten or perhaps never knew that one of the reasons, I believe the principal reason, why Lord Curzon accepted the Indian Viceroyalty was that he found the work of the House of Commons too irksome. Anyhow Lord Curzon's approaching departure for the Riviera does not look as if he were contemplating an immediate return to the House of Commons,

INDIAN CANDIDATES FOR PARLIAMENT.

Although according to the "Daily Mail" General Election forecasts Sir Mancherjee Bhownaggree is to be ousted by Sir Edwin Cornwall, the former when I saw him the other day was as cheery as a man can be who is slowly recovering from a severe chill and looking forward to the coming contest with confidence as to the result. He is perhaps more hopeful than he would be before the Sheriffmuir and Bodmin speeches which have indeed been a godsend to Conservative candidates with majorities under four figures. By the way I see that Sir Mancherjee was the principal speaker at a Primrose meeting in Hammersmith the other day and after a rousing peaceful speech was rewarded for his exertions by the whole audience singing "For he's a Jolly Good Fellow." He has also I see been invited to speak at a mass meeting next week at Manchester to protest against the Russian massacres, but if his engagements made before the change of Government had not prevented his accepting the invitation the necessity of being on the spot in view of the approaching election would, I imagine, have kept him in London. I assumed that the death of Mr. Wightman, the official Liberal candidate for North Lambeth would probably smooth the path of Mr. Dadabhai Nowroji, who has also been in the field for a long time, on his own so to speak. At present Mr. Labouchere's friend, Mr. Frederick William Horner, is the sitting member for the northern division of the trans-frontine constituency and, if Mr. Dadabhai can only manage to secure the support of the local Liberal Association, his return should be a dead certainty. But the question is will he receive this assistance ? His present experience, however, is not dissimilar to that of his earlier troubles in Central Finsbury, out of which it will be remembered he emerged successful and captured the seat in 1892 by three more votes than were recorded for his opponent. The closeness of the fight gained the Grand Old Man of India, as his young friends in this country style him, the name of Mr. Narrow Majority. A third Indian Mr. M. C. Mallik who hails from Bengal, is still standing as Liberal candidate for St. George's Hanover Square where he has about as much chance of being elected as Mr. "Jack" Williams, leader of the unemployed and unemployable would have of being chosen to represent the University of Oxford. However people often indulge in the not inexpensive luxury of standing for Parliament when they have not, and know they have not a ghost, of a chance.

THE PARTITION OF BENGAL.

For the opening meeting of the Indian Section of the Society of Arts, a paper of exceptional interest was selected for reading and discussion. The subject was "The Partition of Bengal," concerning which Sir James Bourdillon (who was acting Lieutenant-Governor in 1902-03) wrote in a judicial and impartial spirit, and on the paper reads more like the comments of an historian (wise generations after the event) than those of an ex-official in whose ears reasons of state policy would sound more convincingly from the lips of colleagues than from the lips of Congress critics. The meeting was a crowded one, Lord George Hamilton being in the chair, and amongst those present were Field-Marshall Sir George White, Sir William Lee Warner, Sir George Birdwood, Sir Charles Elliot, Sir James Ferguson, M. P., Sir West Ridgeway, Sir W. Curzon Wyllie, Sir James Lyall, Sir Charles Lyall, Sir Muncherjee Bhownaggree, M.P., Sir Courtenay Ilbert, Sir Edward Candy, and a large number of other ex-officials.

After dealing with the geographical effect of the Partition in its racial aspect, Sir James Bourdillon, remarked that in his opinion the scheme had both advantages and disadvantages. In Bengal the main advantage must be that which had from the first been the aim of the Government of India, the relief to the Government, which would be freed from the burden of nearly one-third of its former population ; the result of that relief might be expected in the more detailed attention which the Lieutenant-Governor would be able to give to all branches of the administration in the smaller province left under his charge. Bengal would still retain the most populous

ALLEGED FRAUD BY A MORTGAGEE.

JUDGMENT OF THE APPEAL COURT.

YESTERDAY at the Bombay High Court, Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty disposed of an appeal in the suit of Ramabai, widow, vs. Ramchandra Vithal Shingarpure in which the defendant had appealed from a decision of Mr. Justice Chandavarkar. The Chief Justice observed that the suit arose out of mortgage on immovable property in Bombay executed on 22nd May 1901, by the plaintiff Ramabai in favour of the defendant Shingarpure, Rs. 5,000 had been expressed in the document as the principal sum advanced; the interest being at one rupee per cent per month, and the time for redemption, 22nd May 1901. Plaintiff contended that in each of these three respects the mortgage was in conflict with the agreement of the parties; this, she alleged, was due to a fraud practised on her by the defendant. According to her only Rs. 4,000 had been advanced; the rate of interest agreed upon was 12 annas per cent per month; and redemption was to be obtained at any time. She had brought the suit to have an order in terms of her contentions; in the First Court, before the learned Judge, she had met with complete success. From the decree passed by the learned Judge in her favour, the defendant had appealed. In the course of the argument before the Appeal Court, the defendant had expressed his willingness to be immediately redeemed. The Appeal Court, therefore, had only to determine whether Mr. Justice Chandavarkar had rightly decided whether only Rs. 4,000 had been advanced; and whether interest was payable at 2 annas per cent per month to succeed in the point of the lower rate of interest; the plaintiff must make out a case for the rectification of the mortgage, which was governed by Chapter III of the Specific Relief Act. Section 31 required, that there should be fraud or a mutual mistake of the parties. It was stated that when the mortgage was read to the plaintiff by the High Court Interpreter it did not contain stipulation for the payment of interest at the rate of one rupee, but at the rate of 12 annas, as the plaintiff contended. For this purpose, it was suggested that the sheet, on which the stipulation about the interest was written was subsequently inserted. This theory was accepted by Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, it was not suggested that the interpreter, was in league with the defendant Shingarpure; and the Chief Justice had no doubt that he truly interpreted to the plaintiff the contents of the mortgage. Admittedly, however, the rate in the mortgage was one rupee. But the Chief Justice attached even greater importance to the fact that in the companion mortgage in favour of Laximibai there was recited in the recital, the rate of interest in the mortgage now in suit, was stated to be one rupee. This second mortgage was interpreted to the plaintiff at the same time as that of the defendant; and it could not be believed that there was a variance between the stipulation of the first mortgage as to the rate of interest, and the recital of this stipulation in the second mortgage. Ultimately, the Court opened that the plaintiff must be held to her agreement to pay interest at the rate of one rupee; she was not entitled to have the mortgage rectified in this respect. It only remained for the Court to consider the plaintiff's case, that no more than Rs. 4,000 had been advanced. Each side was supported by oral testimony; the determination of the learned Judge before whom the witnesses were examined, was in the plaintiff's favour. The Appeal Court considered whether he had been shown to have misappreciated this evidence. The Chief Justice saw nothing which lead to such a conclusion, on the contrary he thought it was the only safe view. He was led to say this on a careful consideration of the evidence adduced by the defendant Shingarpure, to show the resources whence he derived the funds to make the advance. His Lordship was in complete accord with the opinion of Mr. Justice Chandavarkar as to the unreliability of the two Pauwel witnesses, Allabhai Shaikh Ahmed Daste and Bhau Narayen. he had nothing to add to what the learned Judge had said in this connection. Defendant's case, therefore, failed on a most material particular. On the books, no reliance could be placed. The result was that the Chief Justice saw no reason to interfere with Mr. Justice Chandavarkar's decision that a sum of Rs. 4,000 was advanced. This, however, did not require a decree for rectification a declaration would suffice. The proper, having now been sold, the appropriate decree would be the payment to the defendant of the balance, if any, of Rs. 4 045 in Court, after deducting Rs. 45, and the taxed costs of the plaintiff relating to the suit and appeal, directed to be paid by Bros. Defendant to pay one-half the plaintiff's costs of this appeal. The First Court's order as to costs to stand. Defendant to hand over the title deeds to plaintiff's attorneys.

HIGH COURT JUDGES DIFFER.

REFERENCE TO A THIRD JUDGE.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Scott, sitting at the High Court, Appellate Side, has given his judgment in a case against Hari Salvaram Kasar, which was heard before Mr. Justice Russell and Mr. Justice Aston, who however, differed in opinion as to its final determination, and a reference was made to Mr. Justice Scott, Mr. N. V. Gokhale appeared for the accused; and the Government Pleader for the complainant.

The accused in the case was convicted by Mr. L. Deshpanda, first class magistrate at Ahmednagar, in January last, of committing mischief and thereby causing damage to the amount of Rs. 50, and was fined Rs. 150, or in default one month's simple imprisonment. On appeal, Mr. C. Fawcett, Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar, confirmed the conviction and sentence. The complainant Isakbhai Ibrahimbhai owned a house situated on the public road in Ahmednagar, which was his ancestral property. Adjacents to it stood the property of his cousin Sultanbhai. The former house was mortgaged by complainant and his father in 1890, but the possession of the house was never actually parted with, and they paid a monthly rent for it. Subsequently the complainant let a portion of the premises to one Sulleman, retaining for himself the remaining portion. A long time after complainant left the city, the accused came into possession as a tenant; and it was alleged that the front Khans of the house were demolished, and the site cleared of all superstructure and taking the other house belonging to Sultanbhai, the accused leased the whole to the Metal Factory and got a superstructure raised. This act of the accused was said to have caused loss to the complainant, in that his ancestral house to wit the front part of it, had been pulled down, and the partition wall defining his boundary to the west and dividing his property from that of his cousin, had been removed without reference, and the two sites had been amalgamated and a superstructure raised, topped with one roof of corrugated iron sheets, thereby obliterating all marks and the middle boundary of the two houses belonging to the complainant and his cousin. The magistrate convicted the accused and fined him Rs. 150, or in default one month's simple imprisonment; also ordering that Rs. 75 be given to the complainant to re-imburse him his damages caused by the acts of the accused.

Mr. Justice Russell said that in his opinion, the misapplication of the criminal law to facts which disclosed no Criminal offence was a question of law and this Court was bound to interfere and prevent the same. His lordship utterly failed to see how the mortgagee in the present case could be charged with a criminal offence. He, believing himself to be the owner, converted a part of a decayed dwelling, house into a factory, thereby increasing the value of the property. How was that "mischief" within the meaning of section 425 of the Indian Panal Code?

Mr. Justice Aston remarked that the question whether a mortgagor, who demolished a dwelling house and obliterated a boundary wall when he used the side or part of a side of a new factory building, without the mortgagor-owner's consent or knowledge, was acting bona fide and intending to benefit the mortgagor-owner, without ulterior motives inimical to the latter's interest was a question of fact which has received full consideration in the lower courts and been decided against the accused after weighing the circumstances. It was not a question of law; but as a question of fact must be decided on consideration of the circumstances of each particular case, and one of the circumstances which the lower court took into consideration, as it was entitled to do was that the accused falsely denied that he did demolish the dwelling with its boundary wall. The Appellate Court had decided on the facts it had held proved in the case, that damage to property did accrue from the wilful acts of the accused, and that the accused intended to cause, or knew himself likely to cause wrongful loss or damage to the mortgagor-owner, the complainant in the case. This again was a finding of fact; and on the evidence recorded it was open to the court to come to that conclusion, or to decide that property was affected injuriously by accused with such intention or knowledge. No illegality or irregularity in the conviction or sentence, materially prejudicing the accused, having been established, his lordship would dismiss this application for revision. He would add that the question whether the accused believed he was the owner of the dwelling-house he demolished was, his lordship thought, a question of fact decided against the accused by both the lower courts.

Mr. Justice Scott in giving judgment on the reference, said: In this case I agree with the view taken by Mr. Justice Aston. It appears to me that there were two issues which are correctly stated at the outset of the judgment of the Sessions Judge These issues involve questions of fact. The Sessions Judge agreed with the magistrate in finding that the appellant was proved to have caused the destruction of the front six khans of house No. 2,504 as alleged by the complainant, and that the destruction was done by the accused, knowing that he was likely to cause damage to the complainant. These are findings of fact, and I see no reason why the Court should in its revisional jurisdiction interfere. I may add that it appears to me that the court below has come to a right conclusion in the case.

For the reasons given in the above judgment, the court rejected the application.

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LORD CURZON.

RETURN OF THE EX-VICEROY TO ENGLAND.

ARRIVAL AT DOVER.

LORD and Lady Curzon arrived at Dover on Dec. 3, on their return from India, by the afternoon steamer Mabel Grace from Calais. Lord Curzon was looking in excellent health, and appeared delighted with the welcome of Sir Francis Younghusband, Sir Schomberg M'Donnell, the Hon. Frank Carzon, and others who boarded the steamer. Lady Curzon, however, did not appear to be in the best of health.

The party proceeded to the Lord Warden Hotel. Col. Lord Harris had arranged to parade a guard of honour of the East Kent Imperial Yeomanry on the Admiralty Pier on Lord Curzon's return, but owing to the inconvenience of assembling the men on Sunday, the idea had to be abandoned.

RECEPTION IN LONDON.

Lord Curzon arrived in London on Dec. 4, and met with a most hearty reception from a very large crowd of distinguished Anglo-Indians, personal friends, and the general public, who had assembled at Charing Cross Station to bid him, in the words of the Archbishop of Armagh's poem in the "Times," "Welcome, high welcome, to our wintry air." The scene says the "Times," recalled to not a few of those present that which was witnessed in December 1898 when Lord Curzon set out on his high mission. Before he departed Lord Curzon had taken occasion to express his sense of the duties and responsibilities which fall to the lot of a Viceroy of India, and his reception on Dec. 4 after the expiration of seven years afforded a sufficient indication of the public appreciation of the dignity with which he has maintained his exalted position, and his success in dealing with the many and intricate problems submitted to his judgment and decision. There was no attempt at a formal and concerted welcome. Those who attended at the station did so of their own motion and without any definite plan as to the manner in which the ex-Viceroy was to be received. The spontaneity of the gathering was indeed, in itself an eloquent tribute to Lord Curzon's popularity. The day was cold and dark, a typical December day but this did not lessen the enthusiasm of the crowd within the station when a little later than the appointed time the train arrived.

Lord and Lady Curzon left Dover as a quarter past nine and they arrived at Charing Cross at noon, being accompanied on their journey by Sir F. Younghusband and Sir Hugh Barnes. Many members of Lord Curzon's family were among the throng awaiting them on the platform, and Mr. Trowbridge superintendent of the station, so arranged matters that the relations and the more intimate friends of the distinguished travellers should be at the precise spot where the saloon carriage came to a standstill. Among those present were:—

Lord Scarsdale, Lord and Lady Robarts, Lord Milner, Lord and Lady Suffolk, Lord and Lady Cowe, Lady Ribblesdale, Lord George Hamilton, M. P., and Lady George Hamilton, General Sir William Seymour, the Hon. Lady Miller, the Hon. Francis Curzon, the Hon. and Mrs. Assheton Curzon, the Hon. Sir Schomberg M'Donnell, the Hon. George Lawson-Gowor, Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Rochfort Maguire, the Hon. Spencer Lyttelton, Lieut.-Col. the Hon. Everard and Lady Ulrica Baring, Capt. the Hon. A. V. Meade Admiral the Hon. Sir E. R. Fremantle, Major-Gen. Sir Owen Tudor Burne, Col. Sir Howard Mollies, Sir Henry Cunningham, General Sir John Gordon, Lady Younghusband, Sir Charles Lawson, Sir Stewart Bayley, Sir Mancherjee Bhownaggree, M. P., Lieut.-Gen. Sir Edwin and Lady Helen and Lady Gallen, Sir Edgar Vincent, M.P., and Lady Helen Vincent, Sir Frank Swettenham, Sir A. Condie Stephen, Lieut-Gen. A. Pringle, Lady Lawrence, Sir John Strachey, Lady Richard Strachey, Col. Strachey, Lady Barnes, Sir Donnell and Lady Maud, General Sir C. Badcock, General Sir Dighton Probyn, Sir C. Harding, Sir George Lambert, Col. Sir William and Lady Bisset, Sir Alfred Lyall Sir F. Fryer, Col. Sir Buchanan Scott, Sir A. Martindale Lieut-Col. Sir David and Lady Barr, Lieut-Col Sir Curzon and Lady Wyllie, Sir Dennis FitzPatrick, Sir Andrew and Lady Wingate Sir John Lambert, Mr. Moberly Bell, Mr. C. T. Ritchie, M. P., Col. Hallis, Mr. J. Lunard Pattisson, M., Lewis Ingram, Col. A. H. Meslah, Col. Fenn, Col. St. J. Mitchell Fancourt, Col. Duncombe, Mr. Oswald Maginac, Mrs. George West, Mr. E. Tennant, Mr. and Mrs. Horner, Mrs. Leslie, Miss Pelly, Mr. Willoughby Maycock, Mr. W. A. McArthur, M. P., Mr. Murray Robertson, Mrs. Laurence Drummond, Major Baker-Carr Mr. William Curzon, Mr. E. H. and Mrs. Clementson, Mr. Apear, Mr. F. P. Murray, Mr. E. L. L. Hammond Tyler, and Mr. Edward Arnold.

When Lord and Lady Curzon, both of whom looked very well, alighted from the train they were immediately surrounded by their relations. Lord Curzon affectionately greeted his father Lord Scarsdale, his brother, the Hon. Assheton Curzon, his sister, the Hon. Lady Miller, and the other members of his family, and then exchanged salutations with Lord Roberts, Lord George Hamilton—who was Secretary of State for India when Lord Curzon went out—and many others who crowded round him and Lady Curzon eager to shake hands with them and bid them welcome home. About a quarter of an hour was spent in the holding of what partook of the nature of an informal levee, and then a move was made to a spot where a closed motor carriage was in waiting. Loud cheers were raised as Lord and Lady Curzon advanced to the carriage, but it was still some minutes before they took their departure. At length, after many more greetings had been exchanged, they entered the carriage, and, amid loud cheers from the crowd, left the station. They were heartily greeted as they passed down the double line of spectators which extended from the platform to the station exit. Lord and Lady Curzon proceeded to the Carlton Hotel, and will leave England for the Riviera about Dec. 24.

RECEIVED BY THE KING.

Lord Curzon on Dec. 5 had the honour of being received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace at an early hour.

THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, DEC. 22.

Local rain has fallen in Assam, and light snow in Kashmir. The principal amounts are Cheerapoonji, Silchar and Tezpur half-an-inch. The temperature has fallen rapidly in the central parts of the country. Local rain is expected to continue in the Province of Eastern Bengal and Assam. Some rain is possible in Upper Burma.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON FRIDAY, THE 22ND DEC.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has risen over a large area, the rise having been brisk to rapid in many places to the north of Latitude 20°. Winds are variable in direction and the force has been moderate to light.

Temperature.—The variations of the maximum show a defect of 6° at Ratnagiri and an excess of 5° to 8° in Berar and the United Provinces and at Hyderabad (Deccan) Ahmednagar, Malegaon, Nagpur Raipur and Jubbulpore and those of the minimum a defect of 5° to 7° at Raipur, Cochin, Bangalore, Cuddapah, Madras, Coimbatore and Trichinopoly and an excess of 5° to 8° at Ahmednagar, Raipur, Jhansi, Allahabad and Cawnpure. The highest temperature in the shade was 90° at Cochin and lowest 43° at Sirsa and Jalnar.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is almost clear in all districts.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather is fine and settled generally everywhere.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury Calcutta, 20th Nov. 1905.

The weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills:—

1	Amount to be remitted during 1905-06.....	£16,500 00
2	Remitted from 1st April 1905 to 18th Nov. 1905 by Council Bills.....	£14,987,194
	By Gold...	Nil
3	Balance to be remitted from 19th Nov. 1905 to 31st March 1906	£ 1,512,806

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THE WEEK'S MAIL SUMMARY.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

HOME.

COURT and Political News.—The Queen's 61st birthday was celebrated on the 1st inst. at Sandringham, in London, and in other places. The King arrived in London from Sandringham on Monday, and visited the Smithfield Club Cattle Show at the Agricultural-hall. Mr. Balfour that afternoon had an audience of the King at Buckingham Palace, and tendered his resignation, which his Majesty accepted. Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman next morning accepted the King's invitation to form an Administration. Sir Henry kissed hands on appointment as Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury.—The King on Tuesday attended the marriage of Countess Valda Gleichen to Mr. P. W. Machell in the Chapel Royal St. James's, and afterwards left for Wimborne, Dorset, on a visit to Lord Alington at Crichel. The "London Gazette" publishes a Royal Warrant directing that in future the Prime Minister shall have precedence next after the Archbishop of York.

Fatal accidents.—Part of the river end of the roof of Charing cross Station fell on Tuesday. The roof of the Avenue Theatre, now being reconstructed, was crushed in. At least six men were killed.

Ecclesiastical.—The Bishop of Ipswich has resigned.—Lord Kinnaird has been elected President of the Y.M.C.A.

Education.—Mr. E. G. Holmes School Inspector, has been appointed Chief Inspector of elementary schools.

Football.—The New Zealanders on Saturday defeated England, at the Crystal Palace, by five tries to nothing.

Ireland.—Mr. J. Redmond, speaking at Dungarvan on Sunday, said that one of the first results of the advent of a Liberal Government would be the reinstatement of the evicted tenants. In a speech at Waterford last Friday, Mr Redmond reiterated his demand for an Irish Parliament, "not a glorified Indian Council to control our finances." The annual convention of the United Irish League was opened on Wednesday at Dublin. A resolution demanding a Legislative Assembly and an Executive for Ireland was unanimously adopted.—An attempt has been made on the life of Mr. Frank Shawe-Taylor, of Castle Taylor, by a party of armed men.

Law.—Smith, Elder, and Co. and Macmillan and Co. have obtained an injunction against J. M. Dent and Co. to restrain them from publishing 130 letters by Charles Lamb written between 1796 and 1810.—Mr J. Atkinson Attorney-General for Ireland, has been appointed a Lord of Appeal in succession to Lord Lindley, and is succeeded by Mr. J. H. Campbell, Solicitor-General for Ireland.—Mr. H. Sutton has been appointed a Judge of the High Court, Mr. Justice Wills having resigned.—Lord Adam, Senator of the College of Justice in Scotland, has resigned, and Mr. C. K. Mackenzie K.C., succeeds him.—Two men have been hanged and five sentenced to death during the week.

Lord and Lady Curzon arrived in London on Monday and were met by a large and distinguished assemblage, including Lord Roberts and Lord Milner. Lord and Lady Curzon will leave for the Riviera about the 24th inst.

Mr F. W. Dyson, Chief Assistant, Royal Observatory, (Greenwich), has been appointed Astronomer Royal for Scotland.

Naval and Military.—Admiral Sir John Fisher is promoted to be Admiral of the Fleet.—A statement of Admiralty policy, with an exposition of reforms undertaken during the past three years, is published. Lord Cawdor announces a further reduction of one-and-a-half millions in the Navy Estimates for 1903-7.—In the first nine months of this year 29,929 recruits entered the Army; against 33,929 in the corresponding period of 1904. Lastly enlistments have been 20 per cent. over those of the corresponding period last year.—Mr. Chamberlain, presiding at a distribution of prizes to Volunteers at Birmingham said he agreed that conscription was impossible, but he hoped that those who could not themselves be Volunteers would do all they could to encourage the movement.—Lord Roberts, in view of his many engagements in connexion with his proposals for universal military training, has relinquished his position on the Committee of Imperial Defence. Lord Esher and Sir John French will take part in the work of the Committee.

Penny Postage is to be extended after December 15, to Egypt and the Sudan.

Royal Society.—At the annual meeting last week, Lord Rayleigh was elected President, in succession to Sir W. Huggins.

Shrewsbury School was seriously damaged by fire on the 5th.

Sir T. H. Sanderson has received a peerage.

The German Ambassador was entertained at dinner by the Lyceum Club on Saturday. He said that a shadow had fallen between the two countries in the last few years preventing them from seeing each other as they really were, yet the very thought of a serious quarrel was abhorred by both nations, and was regarded as a piece of criminal folly.—On the previous day Lord Avebury had presided over a meeting held at Westminster to promote friendly relations with Germany.

The Steamer Harlow was sunk on Friday night off Dungeness by collision with the Elder, Dempster liner Philippeville, and five of her crew lost their lives.

THE EMPIRE.

Australia.—Our Sydney Correspondent says, regarding Mr. Balfour's resignation, that public opinion is mainly anxious about the new appointment to the Colonial Secretaryship.—An Immigration Act Amendment Bill was passed on Wednesday by the Federal House.—The New South Wales Parliament has passed a local option Bill, without monetary compensation.

Barbados celebrated on November 30, its third centenary as a British colony.

Borneo.—The Imperial Government is taking over the administration of Labuan from the British North Borneo Company, and a British Resident has been appointed for Brunei.

British Guiana.—Serious riots arising out of a dock strike occurred in Georgetown last week. The police fired on the rioters, five of whom were killed. The riots subsided on Saturday. Two British cruisers arrived and bluejackets helped to patrol the streets. Strike have broken out in country districts.

Canada.—The first provincial election in Saskatchewan has just been held. Archbishop Langevin sent a circular to his clergy denouncing Mr. Haultain, leader of the Opposition.

New Zealand.—The returns of Wednesday's general election are incomplete, but the indications are that the Opposition will be practically annihilated.

South Africa.—Sir Arthur Lawley left the Transvaal on Monday for England, where he will stay three weeks before proceeding to Madras. Lord Selborne, speaking on Tuesday, said that when Kaffirs were first recruited for the mines disorder was far greater than it had been lately.

THE UNITED STATES.

Congress assembled on Monday, in Washington, Mr. Cannon, Republican, was elected Speaker of the House. The President's annual Message, which was read on Tuesday, urged the necessity of giving the Government effective control over trusts and corporations, especially to prevent unjust and unreasonable railway rates. The President suggests the granting of extended powers to a reorganized Inter-State Commerce Commission.

The Treasury Report states that for the last fiscal year, the revenue was £139,420,254, and the expenditure £144,021,099. This year a deficit of £1,600,000 is anticipated.

FOREIGN.

Austria-Hungary.—The hope of peace in Hungary is growing stronger. M. Kossuth and other coalition leaders have agreed on a basis for a Parliamentary Cabinet composed of adherents of 1867 dualism.—In Austria, almost unanimous hostility is shown to the franchise reform scheme by the Upper Chamber.

Bulgaria.—Prince Ferdinand arrived in Sofia on Monday from Hungary. He had an interview at Belgrade Station with King Peter.

Crete.—Germany and China have concluded an amended agreement dealing with the Taing-tau Customs.

France.—In the Chamber on Monday, M. Rouvier protested against Socialist declarations of sympathy with revolutionaries in the friendly and allied nation of Russia.—M. Paul Deroulede last week, spoke in Paris, denouncing the hostility and arrogance of the German Emperor.—M. Rouvier has announced that the interest on Russian external loans is secured for two or three years by Russian deposits with foreign firms.—The Bill separating Church and State has passed the Senate. The French Bishops, asked by the Pope whether they were inclined to accept the new regime, have replied by a small majority in the negative.—The men charged with complicity in the attempt upon the life of the King of Spain in Paris, have been acquitted.

Germany.—In the Reichstag on Wednesday, the debate was begun on the Imperial estimates. Prince Bulow described the foreign situation as unsatisfactory. Germany had to reckon with a profound aversion of public feeling in England, though he welcomed recent signs of improvement. It could not so far be assumed that the new Anglo Japanese Treaty was likely to affect Germany's position. As for Morocco, Germany's action could only be defensive and not aggressive; but German right could not be disposed of by an Anglo-French Convention.—The Prussian Diet was reopened on Tuesday. The Royal Speech extolled the Germans in Polish districts not to allow land to pass into Polish hands.—The Herero tribe, in South West Africa, has been almost exterminated.

Japan.—The Budget for 1906 includes £ 6,000,000 of war expenditure, the ordinary expenditure £23,000,000 leaves a surplus of £1,200,000. The Government proposes to redeem the war debt at 6th rate of £11,000,000 a year.

Russia.—Telegraphic communication with Russia almost totally ceased on Saturday, owing to the telegraph strike, and there is very little information as to the course of events. The demands of the strikers were rejected by the Government. In St. Petersburg on Saturday there was a complete state of lawlessness.—Our Special Correspondent furnishes particulars of the mutiny at Sevastopol, which was only suppressed as the result of a battle.—The reserve of the Don Cossacks have been mobilised.—A St. Petersburg Correspondent says there seem no doubt that the Government will ignore the demands of the Zemstvo Congress majority. He describes the action of the Government as illustrating complete anarchy. He also states that the military situation has become so critical as the result of various mutinies that all dreams of a dictatorship may be regarded as at an end.—Martial law has been abolished in Poland.

Spain.—Senor Montero Rios having resigned, Senor Moret, ex-Minister of the Interior, has formed a new Cabinet. The Bill suspending the constitutional guarantees at Barcelona was passed last week.

Turkey.—It is said that the Porte has accepted the proposals of the Powers regarding financial control in Macedonia, subject to modifications.

Obituary.—Sir Clinton Dawkins; the Earl of Ilchester; Cameron of Lochiel; the Bishop of Newcastle, N.S.W.; Sir H. C. Fischer; Sir L. F. Smith-Gordon; Mr. H. H. Armstead, R.A.; Maj.-Gen. T. J. Watson; Capt. E. G. Meyrick; Lady Harriette Juliana Pelham; Mr. H. W. Chubb; Mr. H. E. Sullivan; and Mr. M. Brooks.—"Times."

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Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Lieutenant Kenneth Edward Lawrance is seconded for service with the West African Frontier Force. Dated 25th November.

December 4.

Paymaster Albert Edward Butterfill Hosken has this day been promoted to the rank of Staff Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Sub Lieutenant Charles Lorith Coxwell to be Lieutenant. Dated 4th December.

December 5.

Sub Lieutenant Robin Wynell Mayow Lloyd has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 15th November.

December 6.

In pursuance of His Majesty's pleasure, Admiral Sir John Arbuthnot Fisher, G C B O M has been promoted to the rank of Admiral of the Fleet in His Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent thereon the following promotions have been made on the Active List, viz:—

Vice-Admiral Sir Day Hort Bosanquet, K C B to be Admiral.

Rear Admiral Angus MacLeod to be Vice Admiral.

Captain Charles Windham, C V O Ad C to be Rear Admiral.

Consequent ther on the following promotions on the Retired List have been made viz:—

Rear Admiral Herbert William Sumner Gibson to be Vice-Admiral.

Rear Admiral Oswald Peploe Tudor C V O to be Vice-Admiral.

Captain Edward Pitcairn Jones, C B to be Rear Admiral.

December, 7.

Sub-Lieutenant Allan Baddeley has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 15th November.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 13th May, 1901:—

Lieutenant Francis Henry Grenfell has been transferred to the Emergency List. Dated 6th December.

War Office, Pall Mall, 8th December.

3rd (Prince of Wales's) Dragoon Guards, Second Lieutenant C E Walker resigns his Commission. Dated 9th December.

12th (Prince of Wales's Royal) Lancers, Brevet Major Walter H. Gramly D S O from Supernumerary Captain to be Captain vice B Macnaghten, seconded. Dated 27th November.

21st (Empress of India's) Lancers, Major James G Fair D S O retires on retired pay. Dated 9th December.

Corps of Royal Engineers.

Brevet Colonel Edmund A Waller on completion of five years' service as a regimental Lieut nant-Colonel is placed on half pay. Dated 5th December.

Line Battalions.

The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment). Lieutenant Harold F Whinney is placed on temporary half pay on account of ill-health. Dated 5th December.

The Suffolk Regiment. The undermentioned Second Lieutenants to be Lieutenants. Dated 21st October.

M H S Willis, vice F S Cooper promoted.

J A Harvey, vice M H S Willis, seconded for service under the Colonial Office.

The East Yorkshire Regiment Captain Ernest T Marshall retires on retired pay. Dated 9th December.

The Bedfordshire Regiment Lieutenant William H Danne to be Adjutant vice F M Bassett, whose tenure of that appointment has expired. Dated 6th December.

Lieutenant Wilford H Boteler resigns his Commission. Dated 9th December.

The Cheshire Regiment Supernumerary Captain Ross J F Hayter to be Captain vice D B Thomas promoted. Dated 27th November.

The South Wales Borderers Captain Clifton V R Wright to be Major vice S Fitz Wyman Cooke resigns. Dated 2nd December.

The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, Major John L Armitage is placed on retired pay. Dated 7th December.

Captain Charles A Wilding to be Major vice J L Armitage. Dated 7th December.

The Gloucestershire Regiment Second Lieutenant F J Brodigan to be Lieutenant vice A A McLeod promoted. Dated 13th October.

The Border Regiment Lieutenant Charles G W Andrews is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Volunteers. Dated 16th November.

The Essex Regiment, Supernumerary Captain William K Legge to be Captain vice O G Godfrey-Faussett D S O promoted. Dated 29th November.

The King's Own (Yorkshire Light Infantry) Supernumerary Captain James B G Tulloch to be Captain vice G G Ottley appointed an Adjutant of Militia. Dated 27th November.

Lieutenant Charles H Ackroyd is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Volunteers. Dated 15th November.

The King's (Shropshire Light Infantry), Captain John H Bailey is seconded for service under the Colonial Office. Dated 6th November.

Dec 2.

Sub-Lieut H P Wilson has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant in his Majesty's fleet,

Dec 4.

Royal Naval Reserve—In accordance with the regulations for the Royal Naval Reserve, Lieut W L Stewart has been placed on the Retired List with permission to assume the rank of commander.

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve—The Right Hon Viscount Mountmorres has been appointed a sub-lieutenant. The undermentioned gentleman has been appointed a midshipman and attached to the Mersey Division—namely—T Pickmore.

Line Battalions.

The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regt)—Capt G H Neale to be adjutant vice E B Mathew Lannowe, whose tenure of that appointment has expired.

The Royal Warwickshire Regt—Capt G A F A Whitehead is seconded for service and the Colonial Office. The undermentioned second lieutenants to be lieutenants:—W B Bell vice L H Little, placed on temporary half-pay on account of ill-health: S M H Ballie, vice W B Bell, seconded for service with the Indian Army; C A C Bentley, vice S M H Ballie, seconded for service with the Indian Army. J. Spring, vice R V Farish, resigned, C H Turner, vice E Spring, seconded for service with the West African Regt.

The Gloucestershire Regt—Capt K M Davie is seconded for service on the Staff.

The Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regt)—W G officer, gentleman (Colonial University candidate) to be second lieutenant, in succession to Lieut J H B Wilson, promoted.

The South Staffordshire Regt—Capt E C P Bridges retires on retired pay.

The Essex Regt.—Second Lieut V Bromley resigns his commission.

The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regt)—Lieut G Mayall resigns his commission.

The Northamptonshire Regt.—Second Lieut G W Hunt to be lieutenant, vice W R Russell, appointed adjutant.

The King's (Shropshire Light Inf)—Qrmr and Honorary Capt S Skelley retires on retired pay; Qrmr and Honorary Lieut A S Field from the Royal Garrison Regt, to be quartermaster vice Honorary Capt S Skelley.

The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders—Gentleman Cadet H C Methuen, from the Royal Military College, to be second lieutenant.

The Rifle Brigade (the Prince Consort's Own)—Lieut Col and Brevet Col G F Leslie, on completion of his period of service in command of a battalion, retires on retired pay; Major V A Couper to be lieutenant-colonel, vice Brevet Col G F Leslie, Major W G Binnick, D S O retires on retired pay. Capt and Brevet Major R B Stephens to be Major, vice W O B attack D S O.

Command and Staff.

Col (local Brig. Gen) E T Dickson, from colone, on the Staff, to be a major-general in the Army; to command the troops West Africa, vice Co-(temporary Brig-Gen) F J Graves, deceased.

School of Gunnery.

Capt L B S Christie, R A, an instructor in gunnery, second class, is promoted to first class, vice Capt G T Brierly, D S O, R A, whose tenure of the appointment has expired.

Memorandum.

The undermentioned quartermasters and honorary captains, Naval Ordnance Dept are granted the honorary rank of major—G Harris, C L Sheppard.

Reserve of Officers.

Lieut H W Peebles to be captain.

Army Medical Reserve of Officers.

Surg-Lieut-Col G H Turnbull, M D having resigned his commission in the Volunteers, ceases to belong to the Army Medical Reserve of Officers.

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THE adjourned Extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held on Tuesday at the Company's Registered Office, No. 13 Forbes Street, Fort for taking poll on the first and second resolutions which appeared in full in for our issue of the 2nd instant, Mr. M. C. Dharamsey presiding. We duly reported the meeting in our Thursday's issue but owing to a clerical error, the account sent to us was misleading. The facts should have appeared thus. There were seventeen shareholders present in person. The first resolution being put to the vote, ten share-holders who were present in person and held in all 17 shares voted against it, and seven shareholders who were present and held 87 shares and who also represented by proxies eight other share-holders holding 51 shares, in all holding 138 shares, voted in favour of the resolution. Thus the resolution was carried by a majority of 121 votes On the second resolution being put to the vote ten shareholders who held 17 shares voted against, all other shareholders remained neutral and hence the resolution was not carried.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the proceedings.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade, ...	0	0	2
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	0	0	21
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Nagpada, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	0	0	18
D Khetwadi Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	0	0	6
E Masagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tarreo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	26
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli.....	0	0	11
Water Division.....	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown...	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	6
Total.....	Nil	nil	1,3
Total plague deaths to date ...	304,830	231,838	
Same date last year.....	20	12	93

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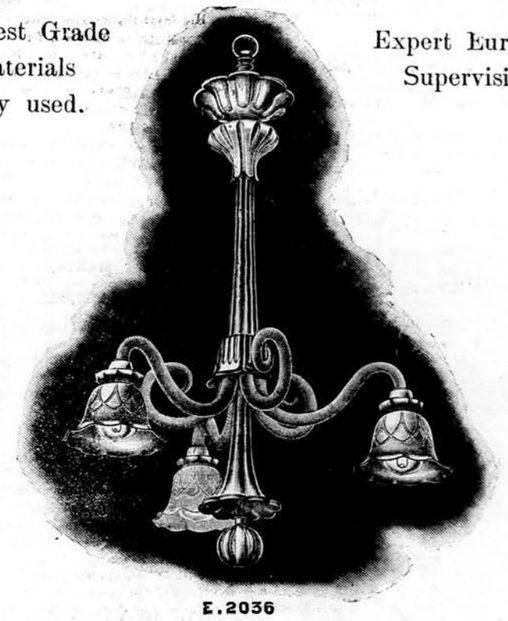

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COUNTERFEIT NOTES.

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Archbishop of Canterbury has been among
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o ranks high in the Church to-day possesses a
usical voice, but absolutely no ear. He, in his
ays as vicar could be backed to drag down his
choir something like a couple of tones in the course
of the Litany. When at the end the organist, with
malignant joy, gave the chord and restored the
singers to pitch the effect was appalling to all but
the vicar.

THE EYES OF FAITH.

It is impossible to prove a negative. The attempts to convince Father Hubert that he has not seen at his monastery near Belfast the "ghosts" which he describes would be wasted efforts and gratuitous impertinence. His startling stories told to his flock should suffice to make Aroo na a place of pilgrimage. Father Ignatius has erected a statue to what he describes as the apparition of the Virgin Mary, and a light burns constantly at its foot. Half Christendom goes every year to Lourdes to be cured of manifold ills. The late Pope gave the place his blessing, but no Roman Catholic is compelled to believe the story which attaches to the shrine. It was until recently an ordinary cavern as whose mouth a girl of tender years believed she saw the form of the Virgin. No one else saw it either that day or upon subsequent visits. They asked as a sign that a certain bush should be called spontaneously to break into bloom before their eyes. If the sing were vouchsafed a handsome chapel should be built upon the spot. The bush did not blossom at the call but instead, so the tradition runs a stream of pure water gushed straightway from the interior of the cavern.

MIRACLES TO ORDER.

At first there was opposition to the idea of making Lourdes a religious centre. The local authorities caused the girl who had dreamed dreams and seen visions to be confined in an asylum and the grotto to be closed, but Napoleon the Third presently interposed; if the people desired to have their miracles there they should have them he said. An ever since it has been the Mecca of Roman Catholicism. People believe that its waters cure them. The waters from Dean's-yard, Westminster and from the springs Hyde Park, cured too, in their day, but no one thought then of supernatural agency. Moreover, they never failed. Lourdes can and has. A man plunged bodily into the spring and lies in it.

A SACRED BOOM.

Whether they want them or not, congregations are to have new editions of their hymn books. The revision of the "Ancient and Modern" book has raised a cloud of witnesses to the profitableness of such a venture. Unsuspected by the average churchgoer, the publication of hymnals is one of the most lucrative forms of commerce extant. The story of the book in question is in itself an eye-opener as to the value of devotional verse set to music. All the profits went originally to the two score men who first floated the book. As one died so his share was absorbed, not by his heirs, but by the remainder of the syndicate. The book has for years past been yielding an enormous harvest. To what extent the authors of the verses and composers of the tunes profit is, of course, another story. "Safe in the arms of Jesus" was written in a quarter of an hour, and From Greenland's Icy Mountains was put on paper one day and sung next morning in Wrexham Church.

LIGHT AND SHADE.

The provincial magnate who declared that "Crossing the Bar was simply doggery" would probably not have much of an opinion of Kipling's "Recessional and, therefore, he disgusted to find it included in the new hymnal at press in course of preparations. But the English Church is not the first to adopt this noble poem; the Methodist Episcopal Church of America anticipated us last summer. The story of many of our most famous hymns is worth telling. "Onward Christian Soldiers" has one. To the lines -

With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before

Mr. Baring Gould's bishop was declared to demur, asserting that they were Papistical in suggestion. The author replied that he would alter the last line to read

Left behind the door.

The only drawback to that story is that there is not an atom of truth in it. It is entirely an invention but the story will last as long as the hymn.

SEASONABLE MADNESS.

The gentleman who, clad in sleeping-attire, recently preferred thereof to his bed at Leicester, was not happy until he saw a dead or two at which to aim slates detached from his eyrie. A more distinguished man in like case refrained from marksmanship seeking only the undisturbed enjoyment of his passion. He was prompted to his climb by the unexpected appearance at his university of his name in the first class. So to the roof of his college he went shinning up a reign spout and seating himself astride a stone ornament less secure than decorative. In vain they tried to bring him down; he wanted to be alone with the stars to contemplate his own magnificence. All other means failing they summoned the provost. Pray come down said the latter—pray come down; we can all feel with you in your great success." "I no, you can't," was the exulting answer—no you can't, old chap; you only got a third!"

ON THE TILES.

We may expect after this Leicester escapade to hear of attempts to break out of prison. The Prison Commissioners a few years ago traced escapes from Wormwood Scrubbs, Northallerton, Lincoln, and elsewhere to the effects of a sensational dash from Borstal Prison. By some means or other news of an incident of this sort runs through all the convict establishments, and inspires others to try their luck. One of the most remarkable escapes was that of a man from Pentonville, his sentence was nearly up, but he slipped out on to the roof and defied all attempts at recapture. Rain and snow and drizzle failed to damp his spirits. The attempts of warders only served to impress him more strongly than ever with the fact

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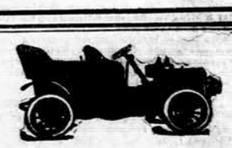

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